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## Sarkis to join parley July 4

**JEDDAH, June 24** — Foreign Ministers of Saudi Arabia, Syria, Lebanon and Kuwait, trying to end the Lebanese crisis, concluded their talks here Wednesday with recommendations that are to be discussed with Lebanese President Elias Sarkis July 4.

In a statement on its preparatory session, the four-party committee stressed the importance of remaining committed to the ceasefire by all parties concerned in Lebanon.

In Wednesday's session, the committee concentrated on the Lebanese paper which consisted of the Lebanese government's concept on the basis for a final solution to the Lebanese crisis. The Lebanese concept emphasizes the strengthening of the army and stationing it in sensitive areas, in addition to opening bridges between the east and west of Beirut. It also calls for a discussion on the position of the Arab deterrent force.

The four-party committee is also understood to have discussed the results of contacts held by the Lebanese legal authority with the parties concerned, with a view to enabling the Lebanese President to take a final decision on the subject.

Meanwhile, Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam told *Arab News* that the ministers did not touch on the subject of Zahle nor any other marginal problem. Instead they discussed the "basic problem, which is the general situation in Lebanon." Commenting on the committee's task, Khaddam said that "it is doing a big job of national dimensions, and it can never accept the grabbing of Lebanon by Israel. It also would not become an obstacle before the majority of Lebanese who are eager to liberate themselves from the Israeli domination."

*Arab News* learns that the difficulties which the committee is trying to overcome includes an ending of relations of some parties in Lebanon with Israel. Meanwhile, the committee also discussed general subjects concerning the Arab deterrent force and the Lebanese security machinery, and agreed on building a strong army in Lebanon, free from political wrangles.

## King receives ministers, arrives in Taif

**TAIF, June 24 (SPA)** — King Khaled arrived here Wednesday from Jeddah. He was accompanied by Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, Makkah Governor Prince Majeed. He was welcomed at the airport by Sheikh Saleh Salem, governor of Taif and many other senior officials and officers.

Earlier in the day the King received separately the foreign ministers of Syria and Lebanon Abdul Halim Khaddam and Foad Butros who were attending the meetings of the Arab Follow-up Committee to discuss the situation in Lebanon. The meetings were attended by Prince Abdullah, Foreign Minister Prince Saud and Special Adviser Dr. Rashed Pharaon.

Crown Prince Fahd also received the Syrian minister at his office later in the day.



**MAMMOTH BLAZE**: This is the view of the fire along the eastern slopes of the Naps Valley, California, as it spread over the ridges and canyons, spewing smoke as far as the San Joaquin Valley to the east. Eight hundred fire-fighters are battling to contain the blaze that has already charred over 23,000 acres, destroying at least 65 homes.

## Mitterrand speaks of high hopes, great tasks

**PARIS, June 24 (AP)** — President Francois Mitterrand opening the first French cabinet meeting in 34 years to include Communists, said Wednesday that he was counting on the French people to rally massively around his new government and its policies.

"The hope of our people is immense and our responsibility historic," Mitterrand told the cabinet, according to Pierre Bergeyov, the Elysee chief of staff who briefed reporters. "The adhesion of a large majority of our people to the policies that I have defined and which constitute the charter of government in action, is a guarantee for its success," the president said.

The decision to include four members of the Communist Party in the predominantly Socialist government makes France (as the only major Western power with Communists in its central government).

The appointment of the four Communists surprised no one in France, as it has been widely expected. The strongest criticism came from rightist political figures and the conservative press.

Jacques Blanc, vice president of the Union for French Democracy, the coalition formed by former President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, said the move finally unmasked Mitterrand, whom he said had abandoned the center-left in favor of the total left.

Bernard Pons, secretary-general of the Gaullist Party, said many Frenchmen simply did not want to believe that this would happen. For *L'Aurore*, one of the most conservative newspapers in France, naming Communist ministers was Mitterrand's first serious mistake. "Everywhere it has been in power, Communism has always tolled the bell on fundamental liberties," the newspaper wrote.

"For the moment, the Socialist Party seems to hold the trump," said *Le Figaro*, another conservative daily. "Nothing says the situation will be the same when the first economic difficulties begin to dissipate the euphoria of the socialist voters."

Others took a wait and see attitude. *Les Echos*, a financial and business daily, asked if Mitterrand had not gone too far. "For the moment, in any case, he has won his gamble. The purchase of a certain social peace. He counts on a change in the nature of the Communist Party. That supposes the break of all links with Moscow and the abandoning of (the idea) of maximum collectivization of the means of production."

Despite concern about the attitude of Western allies, Mitterrand's first priority is internal stability.

The following is the list of the members of the new French government announced Tuesday:

- Premier Pierre Mauroy
- Minister of state
- Minister of the Interior and decentralization Gaston Deferre. Unchanged.
- Minister of foreign trade Michel Jobert. Unchanged.
- Minister of transport Charles Fiterman. New.

## Minor jobs for Communists

Minister of planning and national development Michel Rocard. Unchanged.

Minister of research and technology Jean-Pierre Chevènement. Unchanged.

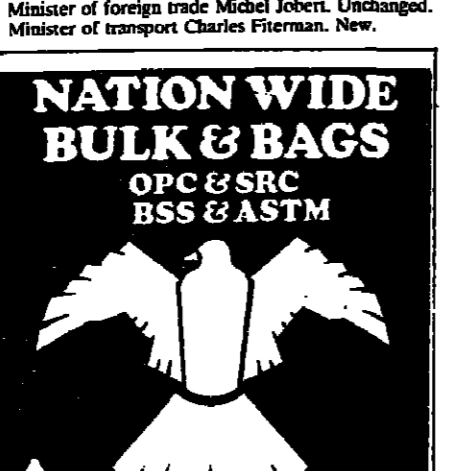
**Ministers:**

- Minister of national solidarity Nicole Questiaux. Unchanged, formerly minister of state.
- Minister attached to the premier for women's rights Yvette Boudy. Unchanged.
- Minister attached to the premier for parliamentary relations Andre Labarrere. Unchanged.
- Minister delegated to the premier charged with civil service and administrative reforms Angele Le Pors. New.
- Minister of justice, guardian of the seals Justice Robert Badier. New.
- Minister of external relations Claude Cheysson. Unchanged.
- Minister attached to minister of external relations for European affairs Andre Chandernegor. Unchanged.
- Minister attached to the minister of external affairs for cooperation Jena Pierre Cot. Unchanged.
- Minister of defense Charles Hernu. Unchanged.
- Minister of economy and finance Jacques Delors. Unchanged.
- Minister attached to the minister of finances for budget Laurent Fabius. Unchanged.
- Minister of national education Alain Savary. Unchanged.
- Minister of agriculture Edith Cresson. Unchanged.
- Minister of industry Pierre Dreyfus. New.
- Minister attached to the minister of industry for energy Edmond Herve. New assignment.
- Minister of commerce and cottage industry Andre Delais. Unchanged.
- Minister of culture Jack Lang. Unchanged.
- Minister of labor Jean Auroux. Unchanged.
- Minister of health Jack Rallie. Unchanged.
- Minister of free time Andre Henry. Unchanged.
- Minister attached to the minister of free time for youth and sports Edwige Avice. Unchanged.
- Minister of urbanism and housing Roger Quilliot. Unchanged.
- Minister of environment Michel Crepeau. Unchanged.
- Minister of the sea Louis le Penec. Unchanged.
- Minister of communications Georges Fillioud. Unchanged.
- Minister of post office and telecommunications Louis Mesangeau. Unchanged.
- Minister of veterans Jean Laurain. Unchanged.
- Minister of consumer affairs Catherine Lalumiere. New assignment.
- Minister of professional training Marcel Rigout. New.

## King receives ministers, arrives in Taif

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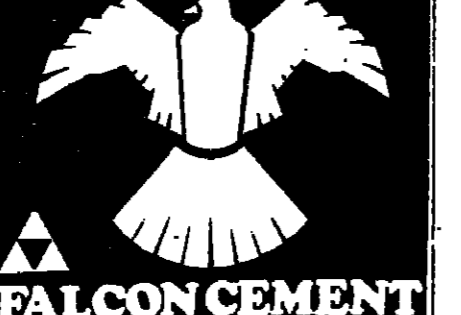


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## Russia plays it cool; U.S. alarmed

**LONDON, June 24 (Agencies)** — France's European allies reacted calmly Wednesday to the inclusion of Communists in the French cabinet and officials said they saw no risk to Western security. But U.S. Vice President George Bush, on a visit to Paris, expressed initial American concern. The Communist involvement, he said, was "bound to cause concern."

European officials also voiced concern that President Francois Mitterrand's decision would anger the United States at a time when there are already strains in the NATO alliance. The French move brings Communists into a major Western government for the first time in 34 years.

Diplomats said there were no shock waves in Western Europe because the decision was expected and was generally seen as a French maneuver to neutralize the weakened Communist Party.

They said the impact on other Western nations would be marginal because the four realignment of the franc within the European Monetary System (EMS).

In an interview carried by the *London Times*, Wednesday, the minister Jacques Delors, said: "The franc at its present rate guarantees the competitiveness of the French economy better in some markets, less in others. But globally it works. The flow of exports is very good, considering the world economic situation."

The dollar, on the exchanges, also lost ground against the Swiss franc because of a growing feeling on money markets that high U.S. interest rates which have supported it for more than a year are about to come down again. Foreign exchange dealers said operators sold their French francs, dollars and in some cases their marks to seek refuge in the Swiss franc, which rose against all major currencies.

## Communist's inclusion hits franc

**LONDON, June 24, (R)** — The French franc fell on foreign exchanges Wednesday as investors, worried at the inclusion of four Communist ministers in the new French government, deserted the currency for the security of the Swiss franc.

In Paris, the French franc continued weaker Wednesday, but share prices held to Tuesday's firmer trend and gained one percent when dealing opened. The stock market reacted unfavorably to Mitterrand's election May 10, dropping more than 20 percent in the first week. It has since partially recovered.

In contrast to the stock market, the currency exchanges clearly had not discounted the inclusion of Communists in the government and the franc suffered accordingly. This was despite the French finance minister's repeated opposition to devaluation or a

## Irish hunger strikers may relent

**BELFAST, June 24 (Agencies)** — There were faint hopes Wednesday of ending the hunger strikes in Northern Ireland's Maze prison as the British government and convicted guerrillas made statements indicating they may be ready to compromise.

Britain's Northern Ireland Secretary, Humphrey Atkins, said a statement from the seven guerrillas currently fasting spoke of the need to settle the prison crisis that has triggered violence across the province. But there was no clear sign from either side that any major breakthrough was imminent that could end the hunger strike that began March 1. Officials at the government's Northern Ireland Office said they saw little immediate reason for any optimism.

The statements were released as the British braced for another wave of Maze deaths next month and an outbreak of violence similar to what followed after the deaths of four hunger strikers last month. The guerrillas, all convicted members of the outlawed Irish Republican Army and the smaller Irish National Liberation Army, are demanding that jailed activists be treated as political prisoners rather than criminals.

The British refuse on the grounds that it would accord political respectability to the guerrillas' bloody campaign to end British rule in Northern Ireland and reunite it with the neighboring Irish Republic.

## To halt AWACS deal Zionists mounting pressure on U.S.

**WASHINGTON, June 24 (Agencies)** — incessant lobbying by the Zionist lobby in the United States against the sale of sophisticated radar planes to Saudi Arabia is snowballing and a group of Congressmen are planning a veto resolution to halt the sale.

The Reagan administration which last week condemned Iraq for its unprovoked attack on the Israeli nuclear research center near Baghdad is planning, to formally propose the sale to the Congress July 8. Unnerved by the universal condemnation of its aggression by almost all countries, Israel has begun an all-out bid to see that the Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) deal is not put through. The Zionist lobby is sparing no efforts to confuse Congressmen so that impediments could be created in the way of the deal.

More than half the Senate and House of Representatives now opposing the deal, opponents say. Rep. Clarence Long and Rep. Norman Lent called a news conference Wednesday to announce that 234 representatives, six more than half the 435 members, are co-sponsoring a resolution to veto the sale. Sen. Bob Packwood, Republican-Oregon, announced that 54 senators had asked

Reagan in a letter to cancel the sale.

The show of opposition, coming a week after Assistant Senate Republican Leader Ted Stevens of Alaska said the Senate now probably would approve the deal, was staged in an effort to head off Reagan's plan to formally propose the sale to Congress July 8. "In my opinion there's no way the president can get this through the House," Long said.

Packwood's letter indicated the Republican president also could have trouble getting the Republican-controlled Senate to approve the sale of the Advance Warning and Control System radar planes to Saudi Arabia.

Congressional veto of an arms sale requires rejection by majorities in both the House and the Senate. It never has been done. Reagan announced in March that he intends to sell Saudi Arabia five AWACS plus missiles and long-range fuel tanks for 62 F-15 jetfighters already on order.

The Reagan administration is expected to propose informally to Congress the sale of Airborne Warning and Control Systems (AWACS) aircraft and equipment to upgrade the Saudi Arabian F-15 fighters soon after July 5 when members return from holiday.

## For absurd allegations Brazil recalls envoy to Israel

**TEL AVIV, June 24 (Agencies)** — Brazil's ambassador to Israel, Vasco Mariz, was recalled Wednesday for urgent consultations after allegations that an Israeli secret service official said Brazil supplied Iraq with eight tons of uranium, embassy officials, said.

Tension in Israeli-Brazilian relations developed after an article was published over the weekend in a newspaper saying Mossad agents were the source for a story about alleged Brazilian uranium supplies to Iraq. Israel has firmly denied that any official of the Mossad intelligence service or any other Israeli official made such a charge.

Brazilian government spokesmen have dismissed the allegations as "absurd" and "inventions" and the Brazilian foreign ministry warned that relations with Israel could be harmed by Mossad's efforts to spread slander against Brazil. Under an agreement signed in January 1980, Brazil is to supply natural and slightly enriched uranium to Iraq in the future but Brazilian Foreign Minister Ramiro Saraiva Guerreiro said none had yet been exported.

The ambassador left Wednesday morning but his wife said that he expected to return within a week to 10 days.

Brazil has repeatedly denied alleged shipments of uranium to Iraq under the terms of a 1980 nuclear agreement with that country, one of Brazil's major oil suppliers.

Israeli ambassador Shaul Ramati told reporters he was delivering a note to the Brazilian foreign ministry denying that Israel's Mossad secret service or any other Israeli agency sent false information concerning Brazil and Iraq.

Ramati said the note had been sent by Israeli Foreign Minister Itzhak Shamir to his Brazilian counterpart, Ramiro Saraiva Guerreiro. Guerreiro was not available to receive the message, reportedly preparing for a state visit Wednesday to Peru.

Pariz said that the decision to recall Brazil's ambassador was considered "normal in situations like this." He said the government had acknowledged the Israeli official note, saying "The situation is being examined."

## Pope catches virus

**ROME, June 24 (AFP)** — Pope John Paul II is suffering from a mild form of a rare virus known as cytomegalovirus, according to a medical bulletin from Gemelli Hospital Wednesday. Cytomegalovirus is a virus that causes cellular enlargement.

The Pope was readmitted to hospital Saturday for tests because of a persistent fever which hampered his recovery from bullet wounds sustained in last month's assassination attempt.

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## Salman honors Riyadh U graduates

### Abdul Mohsen attends Dhahran commencements

RIYADH, June 24 (SPA) — Riyadh Governor Prince Salman, Tuesday, honored the 21st group of 1,061 students from Riyadh University. The ceremony, at the university's gymnasium, off Diriyah Road, was also attended by Hassan ibn Abdullah Al-Sheikh, minister of higher education and chancellor of Saudi Arabian universities; the rector, Dr. Mansour Al-Turki; and other officials.

Prince Salman said it was a momentous occasion to attend the graduation of the country's youths in all branches of education to start their active life and serve their religion their King and their country. He said they constitute the real wealth of the country, after "our faith in God." He reminded the youths that their country, as directed by King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd, gave them a lot.

He told them that the first thing they should do is to adhere to the teachings of God as prescribed in the Holy Quran and to use all that they have learned to improve the quality of life of their countrymen. He said he was proud of Riyadh University for the qualified cadres it had already produced and for its constant contribution in this field.

More than 4,318 students registered for B.A. degrees at Riyadh university in the 1980/81 academic year, an increase of 1.4 percent over last year, according to statistics released by the university Tuesday. This brought to 14,096 the total number of students reading for B.A.'s at the university. Therefore, the overall figure was 8.4 percent higher than the previous year.

Post graduate students numbered 142 in 1980/81. They include 95 preparing their master's degrees, and the rest their general



GRADUATION: Riyadh Governor Prince Salman congratulates one of the university graduates at a ceremony held in the capital Tuesday evening. Higher Education Minister Hassan Al-Sheikh (left), and Rector Mansour Al-Turki (right) look on.

diplomas. Also, the teaching staff totaled 925 during the same academic year, an increase of 21.6 percent over 1979/80. Lecturers and assistant professors numbered 719 in 1980/81.

In Dhahran, Tuesday afternoon, Eastern Province Governor Prince Abdul Mohsen ibn Jiluwi honored the 26th, 27th and 28th class graduates of the Technical Studies Institute, totaling 62. The graduates gave a military performance for the Prince, then took their oath of honor before him. They include Sudanese and Bahraini nationals.

The ceremony was also attended by Eastern Province Commander, Maj. Gen. Ali Al-Bouri; Airforce Col. Ali Ahmad Al-Ghamdi, commander of King Abdul Aziz Airbase in Dhahran; and other senior officials and high-ranking military personnel.

Airforce Col. Abdul Aziz Al-Heneidi, the commander of the institute, said the occasion also marked the institute's 11th birthday. It was officially dedicated by Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan on the same day in 1970. He said that extension projects totaling SR110 million were underway to develop and enlarge all sections of the institute and raise the quality of its graduates.

Meanwhile, in Hasa five girls graduated from the nursing institute and were honored as the 11th group. In a speech on the occasion, Jawaher Al-Oweisi, the director of the institute, invited the girls to enter the institute's service so that Saudi manpower may replace foreigners as nurses in the Kingdom's hospitals. She added that the door will be open for registration as of next month. The ceremony was attended by the wife of Hasa governor.

It was also announced Tuesday that more than 202 trainees will graduate from Abha's vocational training institute at the end of this month. They specialized in car mechanics, electric installations, carpentry, plumbing and welding. Those attending 14-18 month morning courses get a SR600-800 monthly salary, in addition to SR120 as cost of living indemnity and SR3,000, six months after they graduate. For six-month evening courses, trainees are given SR400 a month, in addition to SR120 for clothing, and SR2,000 as an incentive when they graduate.

## Majed opens Jubail industrial exhibition

JEDDAH, June 24 (SPA) — Makkah Governor Prince Majed, Tuesday evening, opened the first exhibition of the industrial city of Jubail. He was met on arrival by Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer.

The secretary general of the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu made a speech in which he said that Saudi Arabia was a model and an example for the good treatment of foreign workers. The commission builds housing compounds for foreign workers or for the companies working with it, he said. And, in addition to wages or salaries, the commission offers its workers one of the highest standards of living in the world, he explained. It also gives a chance to companies and individuals to build, rent and sell.

Prince Majed toured the various parts of the exhibition and was briefed by Saudi Arabian engineers on the items on display and the models and layouts prepared by the commission.

The Jubail industrial city project includes four basic industries and ten support industries. More over, ten residential quarters have been built to accommodate 21,500 workers and employees. The site of an 11th housing compound is also ready for construction.

Furthermore, 80 million cubic meters of sand have been removed to prepare the sites of most secondary plants. Some two-thirds of the design work for the handling of petrochemical products have been completed. Likewise, more than 130 kilometers of road have been designed and another 25 kms have been asphalted.

Concerning Jubail City airport, a 4,000 meter runway has been surfaced and domestic planes are already landing there. Also, 90 percent of the designs of a permanent electric power network have been prepared. More than 60 percent of engineering designs for a telecommunications network have been completed. A 1,600 line telephone network has been installed.

About 80 percent of designs for a water and sewage network are ready and 13 subterranean wells are being drilled. A plant has also been set up to treat and purify some 15,000 cubic meters of water a day. A computer has been established for general purposes. A 100-bed hospital has been built along with several schools, and a permanent vocational and technical training center is under construction.

## Royal visit souvenirs made in U.K.

LONDON, June 24 (LPS) — To commemorate the visit to Britain of King Khaled of Saudi Arabia a window display has been mounted by Asprey and Company, the London-based firm of jewellers, goldsmiths and silversmiths. It is the first time the company has specially decked out its window to mark a state visit.

The display includes some of Asprey's finest pieces of silverware, which the company thinks will appeal to Saudi Arabian tastes.

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arrangement, the window features a grey-black panther of oxidized silver with gilt decorations; three bronze horses; a falcon made of labradorite decorated with silver gilt; three birds of prey made of iron pyrites (fool's gold) and quartz with bronze wings and gold trimmings; and an arrangement of camels and palm trees of silver gilt set on a marble plinth overlaid with green verdite. Prices range from £15,200 to £37,000.

Asprey has done business in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states for many years.

## Prince Fahd approves student club in Amman

RIYADH, June 24 (SPA) — Crown Prince Fahd approved Wednesday a grant of SR400,000 for the construction of a club for Saudi Arabian students in Jordan on the basis of a proposal made by Prince Faisal ibn Fahd, president of youth welfare. The club will rally the students in Jordanian institutions and keep them in constant touch with home.

Meanwhile, Labor and Social Affairs Minister Ibrahim Al-Anqari, acting president of youth welfare, will lead the Kingdom's delegation to the Arab Youth and Sports Council's Executive Bureau meetings starting in Amman Sunday. The delegation will leave here Saturday.


The five-day session of the council will discuss Arab-European dialogue in regard to sports and youth welfare, recommendations of the Arab Youth Activities Committee and other issues. The executive bureau is comprised of the Kingdom, Iraq, Kuwait, Lebanon, Tunisia, Jordan and the UAE.

The delegation comprises Ibrahim Al-Shami, acting undersecretary of the youth welfare presidency who represented the Kingdom at the Arab Youth Activities Committee, and other officials of the presidency. The session's agenda also includes the issue of the Arab science clubs union and organizing the sixth Arab youth festival.

## Ambassador Nouri feted

BONN, June 24 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian embassy here gave a dinner in honor of Muhammad Ibrahim Nouri, the Kingdom's ambassador to West Germany, Tuesday. Nouri has been appointed ambassador to Spain and will soon take up his post in Madrid.

Arab and foreign ambassadors attended the banquet.

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# Kingdom warns Toyota against link with Ford

TOKYO, June 24 (AP) — Saudi Arabia has said Arab countries may stop importing Toyota Motor Co. vehicles if Japan's No. 1 automaker enters a joint venture with Ford Motor Co., which does business in Israel, a Toyota official said Wednesday.

He said the warning came during a meeting Tuesday in Riyadh between Commerce Minister Dr. Soliman A. Solaim and visiting Japanese International Trade and Industry Minister Rokusuke Tanaka. MITI officials declined immediate comment.

Japanese newspaper correspondents reported from Riyadh that Dr. Solaim told Tanaka the Baghdad-based Arab Boycott Committee would recommend a boycott on purchases of Toyota products because the Japanese firm is negotiating a joint-venture tie-up with Ford, which produces cars in Israel. The 22-state Arab League in 1975 decided to boycott the products of any company that does business in Israel.

Toyota last year shipped 276,000 automobiles to the Middle East, including about 128,000 to Saudi Arabia, the second largest importer of Toyota cars after the United States. Japan's mass-circulation newspaper *Asahi* said the boycott threat is designed to

deter completion of a deal between Toyota and Ford for a license production arrangement. The two companies have been negotiating for a year on a planned joint production venture for small-size cars in the United States.

The talks between Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer and Tanaka in Riyadh earlier this week resulted in a final agreement for the construction of the petrochemical complex in the Eastern Province on a joint venture basis and agreed to increase cooperation in other sectors. The complex is expected to cost \$1.534 billion.

The two sides also expressed their interest in cooperating on desalination projects, especially with regard to the Riyadh salt water treatment plant through reverse osmosis. They also agreed for Japan to send experts to the planning ministry and offer assistance in the proposed electronics institute to be built in Riyadh.

Opening the talks Nazer said that the relations between the two countries were excellent and hoped that they would grow even stronger. Tanaka said Japan depended on the Kingdom for raw materials and emergency demands.



DECORATED: Gen. Muhammad Saleh Al-Hammad, chief of general staff, was decorated with a medal by Adm. Soong Chang-Chih, Chinese chief of general staff, last week. Gen. Hammad is currently visiting the Republic of China.

# Pact signed to increase Qasim power

RIYADH, June 24 (SPA) — Planning Minister Hisham Nazer signed Wednesday a SR145 million contract with an international company for the expansion of the Qasim central electricity project by adding three power generating stations.

The contract went to the same company carrying out the Qasim project, according to Mahmoud Taibah, governor of the General electricity corporation. With the three generating plants to be built under this contract, the total number of power stations in the central project rises to nine.

The combined capacity of these plants will be 600,000 kilo watts. The overall cost of the project reached SR525 million, Taibah said. The plan to add the three plants will not affect the operating schedule of the first six stations. The first of them is expected to come into operation June next year. The six stations will meet electricity demands for Qasim. Sa'ed and Zalfi, he said.

# FROM THE GULF

ABU DHABI, June 24 (WAM) — The UAE dailies Wednesday urged a United Arab stand to confront the American unlimited support for Israel, and called for reconsideration of the Arab relations with the United States in the light of their national interests. In an editorial, *Al Itihad* daily said that such an objective would not be achieved by raising slogans but through a reconsideration of abilities in all fields which can serve as a weapon against the United States.

"The confrontation should begin with an economic boycott against the United States including our credits in American banks," it said.

Another newspaper *Al Fajr* praised the outcome of the Arab parliamentarians meeting in Baghdad Tuesday which called for imposing sanctions against America by severing Arab oil supplies and withdrawing assets from the American banks "as a punishment to America for its support of Israel."

"The parliamentarians' resolutions were logical," the paper said, "since it is now clear that America has previous knowledge of the Israeli aggression against Iraq's nuclear reactor." The paper referred specially to the American document which included top secret information about the Iraqi intention to produce nuclear weapons which was unveiled by Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

the first Arab Gulf Cooperation Council summit meeting in Abu Dhabi last month as a historical turning point in achieving prosperity, security and stability for the people of the region.

He reaffirmed the UAE's support for efforts made to complete the formation of the GCC's staff. He underlined at the meeting which was attended by Ahmed Khalifa al Suweidi, the president's representative, and Abdul Rahman al Jarwan, undersecretary of the foreign ministry, to the great responsibilities the GCC secretariat will shoulder in the next stage in order to translate the aims and aspirations of the council into reality.

Earlier the undersecretary of the foreign ministry Abdul Rahman al Jarwan, conferred with Abdullah Bisharah, GCC general secretary, who arrived here Tuesday from Doha on a two-day visit as part of his current tour of the GCC six member-states.

ABU DHABI, June 24 (WAM) — Sheikh Abdul Rahman Al-Mansouri, an envoy of King Khalid of Saudi Arabia arrived here Wednesday from Manama, Bahrain, on a brief visit to the UAE in the course of his current tour of the GCC states.

He said that he was carrying a message to UAE President Sheikh Zayed from King Khalid dealing with bilateral relations and the outcome of King Khalid's recent tour of a number of European states. Mansouri was received at the airport by Jarwan and Muhammad Mansour Al Rimaih, Saudi Arabian ambassador.

ABU DHABI, June 24 (WAM) — Lt. Gen. Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed, Abu Dhabi crown prince and deputy supreme commander of the UAE armed forces, has described

# ROC diplomats confer here

JEDDAH, June 24 (CNA) — The Chinese vice minister of foreign affairs, Frederick Chien arrived here Tuesday night to chair a meeting of Chinese diplomats and trade directors in the Middle East.

Chien was accompanied in the same flight by the ambassador, Hsueh Yu-chi who attended in Taipei a board meeting of the Saudi Arabian-Chinese Fertilizer company last week, and members of the foreign ministry delegation. They included Hsiang Shih-Kuei, director of the Western Asian Affairs department Chang Chin-Kou, section

chief. The meetings will begin Thursday and last two days.

Those taking part include the ambassador, as general coordinator, Liu Ying, director of the Far East trade office in Jordan, Yeh Chia-Wu, director of the Chinese commercial office in Libya, Pan Ming-chi, director of the Far East trade office in Oman, Cheng Lung, Director of the Taiwan trade office in Cyprus, Ho Hsing-Jen, director of the Chinese mission in Bahrain, and Hsu Han-jen, consul at the Chinese honorary consulate in Dubai, the UAE.

# Promote more trade, Pakistanis told

JEDDAH, June 24 — Pakistan's Ambassador to the Kingdom, Najmul Sagib Khan, has described Pakistan's economic relations with the Kingdom at the government level as very strong. He said that there should be a down to the private sector for the mutual benefit of the two countries, according to embassy sources Wednesday.

Addressing a dinner meeting of Pakistani businessmen and professionals in Jeddah, he said there is a vast scope for cooperation between the private sectors of the two countries. He said that the two countries have many opportunities to cooperate in various fields, especially in the areas of trade and industry.

Khan, who returned here Tuesday after a 4-day visit to the Eastern Province, said that Pakistani construction firms have the

required technical manpower, know-how and skills for undertaking various construction projects in the Kingdom. However, their presence has so far remained low because of the size of Kingdom's development projects and procedural requirements.

He urged the Pakistani businessmen and professionals to come up with practical ideas and suggestions for promoting Pakistani exportable products and technical know-how in the private sector in the Kingdom.

# Prayer Times

Thursday	Makkah	Madinah	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraydah	Tabuk
Fajr (Dawn)	4:15	4:10	3:40	3:23	3:48	4:13
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:23	12:24	11:55	11:42	12:07	12:36
Asr (Evening)	3:43	3:45	3:16	3:08	3:32	4:08
Maghreb (Sunset)	7:07	7:15	6:46	6:37	7:01	7:36
Isha (Night)	8:37	8:45	8:16	8:07	8:31	9:06

# Ahmad to attend Medina ceremony

MEDINA, June 24 (SPA) — Deputy Interior Minister Prince Ahmad arrived here Wednesday to attend a graduation ceremony of the Islamic University of Medina on behalf of Crown Prince Fahd, the chancellor of the

university. Prince Ahmad was received at the airport by Saad Nasser Al-Sudairi, Medina governorate undersecretary, Dr. Abdullah Al-Zaid, vice-chancellor of the Islamic university, and other officials.

# COMMENT

By Matar Ayed Al-Qorai Okaz

The Municipality of Jeddah has been making honest endeavors, in cooperation with the Ministry of Commerce and the Civil Aviation Department, to have large warehouses removed from densely populated localities to the outskirts of the city.

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In view of this, the various branches of the municipality would do well to take urgent steps to compile a list of all warehouses still in existence in the residential areas. After doing so, they can impress upon the owners the need to have them moved to the suburban areas within a specified time limit.

In this connection, I would suggest that a committee be set up by the Municipality, the Ministry of Commerce and the Civil Aviation Department, with a view to pursuing the matter with the heads of subsidiary municipal offices. The main object should be to undertake a comprehensive survey of all warehouses within the city and to have them moved to the outlying areas at the earliest possible time, so that public life and property are not threatened by frequent fires in such warehouses.

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## U.K. proposal backed EEC urges 2-stage talks on Afghanistan

LUXEMBOURG, June 24 (Agencies) — The European Common Market has given its backing to a British proposal for an international conference aimed at getting Soviet troops out of Afghanistan, Dutch Foreign Minister Christoph van der Klaauw said Tuesday.

Under the proposal, there would be a two-stage conference in Islamabad involving the five members of the United Nations Security Council and neighboring nonaligned states. Klaauw said details of the proposal were delivered Tuesday to the Soviet authorities by the British Ambassador in Moscow Sir Curtis Keeble. Klaauw, who chaired a meeting of EEC foreign ministers here to discuss the proposal, declined to go into further details.

But EEC sources said the project, to be discussed further by EEC government leaders at a summit meeting opening here June 29, built on a similar suggestion made by former French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing last January.

Giscard's proposal, in a letter to Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev, failed to end the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan despite the diplomatic pressure brought to bear on the Kremlin authorities. But EEC sources said they thought the latest proposal by British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington stood a greater chance of success, because of the new two-stage element introduced.

In the first stage, the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council — the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain, France and China — would meet along with

### Bangladesh protests to Soviet Union

DACCA, June 24 (R) — Bangladeshis protested to the Soviet Union about an attempt to import sophisticated radio equipment without authorization Foreign Minister Shamsul Huq told parliament Tuesday.

In response to an opposition motion on an airport scuffle a week ago between Soviet Embassy personnel and security officials, he said Ambassador V.P. Stepanov was summoned to the foreign ministry Monday and handed a protest note. The ambassador had been told that Bangladesh took a serious view of the behavior of embassy personnel at Dacca airport who had to be forcibly prevented from removing a 10-ton container, registered as holding building materials, which in fact held a high-frequency radio transmitter and other sophisticated equipment.

neighboring Asian countries to discuss Soviet claims that it intervened in Afghanistan in December, 1979, to ward off other foreign interference in the area. Diplomatic sources said Pakistan had already given its support to the proposal, and India and Iran would also be invited to attend.

Afghanistan itself however, would only participate in a second stage of the conference, which would discuss Afghanistan's future status and independent sovereignty, including a British proposal made nearly 18 months ago that Afghanistan should become an internationally-recognized neutral state.

Lord Carrington, who takes over the presidency of the EEC council of ministers for six months from July 1, has urged the Soviet Union to agree to the proposed conferences as early as possible, and by the autumn at the latest.

The British foreign secretary will also have to lead the EEC's search for a Common Market role in promoting a Middle East peace settlement during his six-monthly EEC presidency.

Klaauw, the outgoing EEC president, said he had submitted a report on his fact-finding tour of more than 14 countries in the area to EEC governments. The EEC summit would discuss what steps to take next.

The Dutch minister said he did not personally think a new Middle East tour by Lord Carrington would be necessary, although British diplomatic sources said Lord Carrington would contact the next Israeli government as quickly as possible after elections there June 30.

The main unanswered question for the future was the U.S. administration's attitude to the Arab-Israeli conflict, Klaauw said. "Europe can do certain things, but without the U.S. we can't manage," Klaauw said. "There is always a Soviet menace in the Middle East. Somewhere, the U.S. must be in the background."

Klaauw said he thought the latest project differed significantly from Giscard's proposal. "The Afghanistan problem remains very important and we must try to find a solution," he told a press conference. "Whether we will succeed remains to be seen, but anyway we can try."

EEC diplomatic sources said the British proposals were designed to give the Soviet Union a chance of fulfilling its stated aim of withdrawing its troops from Afghanistan gracefully, with assurances of Afghanistan's future neutrality.

## Pakistan spends \$1.5b on defense

ISLAMABAD, June 24 (R) — Pakistan's government may give the first clue to the country's future defense spending plans Thursday when it announces its 1981 budget.

There has been intense speculation about its immediate defense needs since the U.S. and Pakistan agreed this month on a five-year, \$3 billion military and economic package.

Pakistan has said it will pay cash for an unspecified number of F-16 planes and other military equipment until the accord comes into force in October next year.

Finance ministry figures released Wednesday showed that Pakistan's overall defense spending in the year from July 1 last year was nearly \$1.5 billion. There were no details of the spending.

The figure was about 15 percent more than the previous year and Western diplomats expect the pace of defense spending to be maintained in Thursday's budget. Since President Zia-ul-Haq took power in July, 1977, Pakistan's defense spending has risen about 60 percent, with a big jump following the Soviet intervention in neighboring Afghanistan 18 months ago.

## Rebel attacks increase in Kabul, suburbs

NEW DELHI, June 24 (Agencies) — Afghan rebel attacks on Soviet and Afghan military forces have increased in Kabul and heavy fighting was reported in surrounding areas over the past week, Western diplomatic sources said Wednesday. Gunfire was heard in and around Kabul day and night and Soviet MiG-21 jets and helicopter gunships made frequent passes over the city, the sources said.

Kabul residents saw flares and tracer-bullets lighting up the night sky in several directions, they added. Three Soviet-built tanks were reported blown up by rebels near the Darulaman palace in the capital during a battle between Afghan government troops and rebels in the area on the night of June 19, the sources said. At least two members of the ruling People's Democratic Party (PDP), including an army officer, were shot dead by

## Prague, Kabul to sign friendship pact

PRAGUE, June 24 (Agencies) — Czechoslovakia and Afghanistan will sign a treaty of friendship and cooperation following talks here between Afghan leader Babrak Karmal and Czechoslovak President Gustav Husak, Husak announced here Tuesday night.

According to the Czechoslovak CTK News Agency, Husak said that the treaty would allow for "the development of mutual relations in the political, economic and social domains."

Foreign Minister Agha Shahi said after the talks about the U.S. economic and military package that Pakistan's Arab friends would help pay for the country's immediate defense needs. President Zia walks a tight-roped line between Indian and Soviet suspicion of Pakistan's defense posture and has stressed that defense arrangements with the U.S. do not interfere with Pakistan's status as a nonaligned nation.

Pakistan's English language newspapers Wednesday published lengthy front-page extracts from an interview the president gave to an Indian magazine 10 days ago stressing nonalignment.

In the interview, with the weekly *Sunday* published June 14, the day before the U.S. package was agreed, the president said Pakistan wanted to buy urgently-needed defense equipment from the U.S. which was a traditional source for such supplies.

Thursday's budget is certain to be closely studied by international aid organizations and a consortium of West European nations helping Pakistan with its economic problems. Last November, Pakistan accepted the terms of a three-year, \$1.7 billion loan from the International Monetary Fund. The government was advised to take

some unpopular measures, raising prices of some foodstuffs and services like electricity as well as liberalizing its import policies.

The finance ministry Wednesday released figures showing a favorable economic growth rate for the 12 months from last July 1. The economy grew just under six percent compared with a level of a little over six percent which the government hoped for.

## Israel can make bomb, says Dayan

TEL AVIV, June 24 (AP) — Israel's former Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan said Wednesday that Israel is capable of building nuclear weapons, and would do so if needed.

Dayan made the remarks to an Italian television interviewer and confirmed them in a telephone conversation with the Associated Press. "Israel has the ability to quickly produce nuclear weapons and will do so," Dayan added.

Israel's nuclear potential has come under renewed international security following the June 7 bombing of the Iraqi nuclear research center.

## Reactor core not damaged in bombing, says IAEA

ZURICH, June 24 (R) — No dangerous amount of radioactive material was released when Israeli planes bombed an Iraqi nuclear research center this month, but the plant suffered considerable damage, a senior official of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) said here Tuesday.

Hans Gruemm, vice-chairman of the IAEA's department of safeguards, said the reactor's core might still be intact. But he did not make clear whether the IAEA's information came from its own inspectors on the spot or other sources.

Gruemm, who was answering questions at a press conference organized by a Swiss group promoting nuclear energy, repeated past assertions by the IAEA that Iraq could not have built an atomic bomb at the research center.

## Qaddafi's envoy meets Saddam

BEIRUT, June 24 (AP) — Libyan leader Col. Muammar Qaddafi in a continuation of efforts to mend political fences in the Arab world, has his number two man to Iraq Tuesday with a personal message for President Saddam Hussein.

The Iraqi News Agency said Qaddafi's top-level emissary, Maj. Abdul Salam Jaloud, "exchanged frank and serious views" with the Iraqi leader on the need to present a united Arab front after Israel's air raid on Iraq's nuclear research center. The dispatch gave no further details on the talks.

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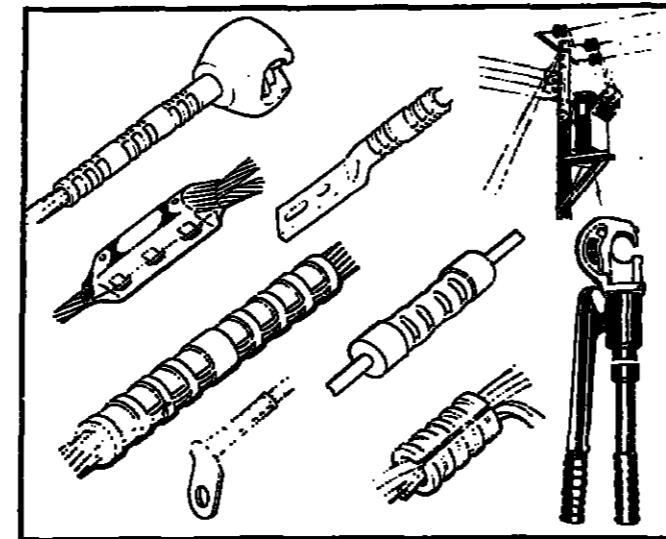
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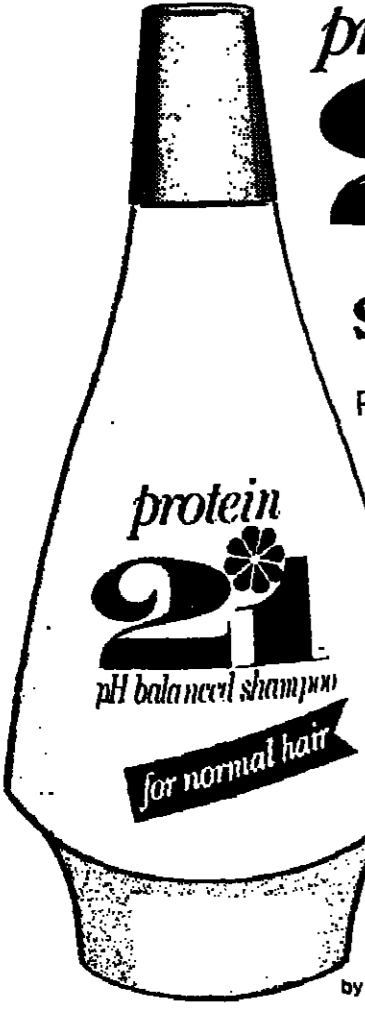
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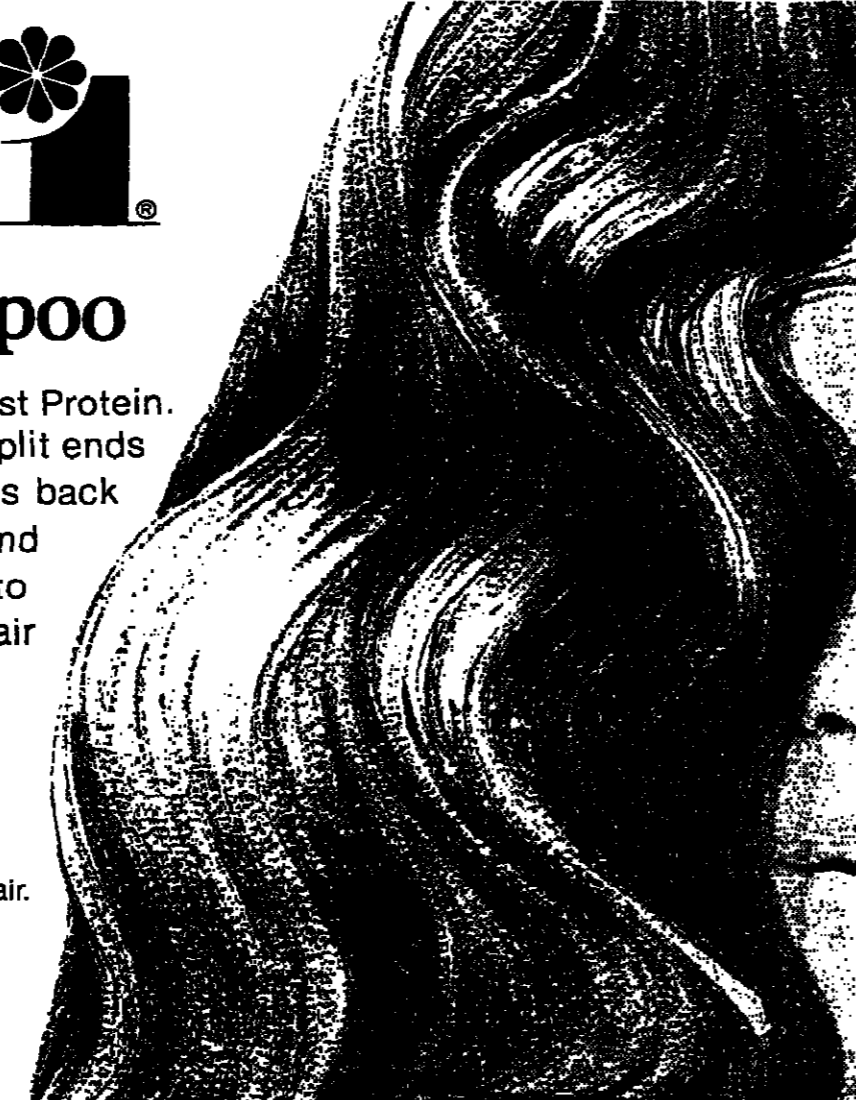


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### Russia accuses U.S. of plotting against Libya

MOSCOW, June 24 (AFP) — The Soviet Communist Party accused the United States Wednesday of plotting against Libya in the hope of overthrowing Col. Muammar Qaddafi. The official party newspaper, *Pravda*, wrote that Washington had launched a "campaign of provocation" against Libya, ranging from the expulsion of Libya's diplomats and the closure of their embassy, to verbal attacks on Tripoli, to maneuvers of the U.S. Sixth Fleet in the Mediterranean off the Libyan coast.

The Reagan administration is "preparing a secret plan under which Egypt and other moderate Arab countries would be used to overthrow the regime of Muammar Qaddafi," *Pravda* said. It claimed that what had angered Washington was Tripoli's anti-imperialist position. "The Libyan government displeases the expansionists in Washington who have decided to make themselves at home in the Middle East," *Pravda* wrote, in what appeared an ironic twist on the U.S. State Department's recent denunciation of Libyan "expansionism."

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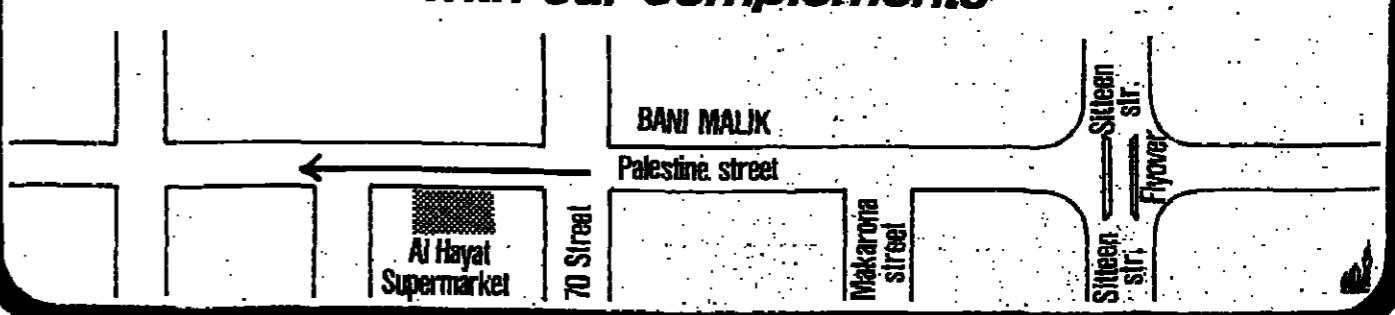
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July 24 election

Ali Rajai announces candidature

TEHRAN, June 24 (Agencies) — Prime Minister Muhammad Ali Rajai Wednesday announced plans to run for president, shortly after official word that elections would take place next month for a successor to ousted head of state Abolhasan Bani-Sadr.

Rajai, questioned by an Iranian journalist on reports that he would stand, said "If the people wish it, I will take this post."

State radio, quoting a communique from the Interim Presidential Council said the election would be held July 24 with a second round seven days later if no single candidate won an absolute majority. Chief Justice Muhammad Beheshti, a member of the council, meanwhile, said that members of the clergy would be allowed to stand although he himself would not be a candidate.

The move reverses the procedure followed at the first presidential poll 17 months ago when the clergy conformed to the wish of Ayatollah Khomeini that only laymen should be candidates.

It was Ayatollah Khomeini who sacked Bani-Sadr Monday after parliament overwhelmingly voted that the president was politically incompetent. Ayatollah Beheshti, who heads the dominant, clergy-led Islamic Republic Party (IRP), said his party had not yet made its choice but hoped to pick a single candidate along with "all Islamic groups and organizations who follow the line of Imam Khomeini". Observers said that the IRP's choice would have every chance of being elected to the post.

Ayatollah Beheshti also indicated that a foreign minister could soon be named and his

appointment approved by the three-man Interim Presidential Council, which also includes Rajai. Bani-Sadr consistently refused to approve any of the nominations for the foreign minister proposed by the prime minister and also defied a parliamentary decision that Rajai should hold the post provisionally. Beheshti said that the Supreme Defense Council which had been chaired by Bani-Sadr, would continue to function under Rajai.

The chief justice attacked the people's Mujahedeen group of the Islamic left which supports Bani-Sadr as "mercenaries of America". They were now "unmasked" and would be "isolated" by the Iranians, he said. Meanwhile, two state-controlled Cairo dailies Wednesday remained vague on the likelihood of Bani-Sadr's recourse to Egypt fleeing the hatred of the Islamic Republican Party.

Al-Gomhuriya newspaper, quoting Monte Carlo Radio, said Bani-Sadr had contacted the Egyptian government "requesting permission to come to Egypt, and the permission had been granted." It added that the radio said Bani-Sadr would arrive in Cairo within the coming 48 hours.

But the authoritative Al-Ahram quoted Information Minister Mansour Hassan, in reply to repeated questions, as reiterating his refusal to deny or confirm Bani-Sadr's presence or imminent arrival in Egypt. The paper quotes Hassan as saying "Egypt prides itself on being a haven for political refugees throughout history," adding that he would or would not issue a formal statement on "the matter, depending on developments."

By West Bank leaders

Strategy against U.S. urged

AMMAN, June 24 (AP) — A group of West Bank officials and religious leaders have appealed to Arab states to set up "an Arab strategy to strike at American interests in the Arab world" and for a boycott of American products, the Jordanian daily Ad-Dustour reported Wednesday.

The group included Sheikh Abdulhamid Sayeh, former mufti of Jerusalem and chairman of the Save-Jerusalem Committee, Archbishop Elias Khoury, head of the Angli-

can church, former Jerusalem Mayor Rabi Khatib, Suleiman Haddidi, a bar association chairman, West Bank mayors Fahed Kawmah of Hebron and Muhammad Milhem of Halhoul who were expelled from the Israeli-occupied West Bank last September, and Muhammad Mahdi, chairman of the Arab-American Relation Committee in Washington.

The group also called for an effective formula "for an active" Arab propaganda and information media abroad.

BRIEFS

HONOLULU, (R) — A senior U.S. official said Tuesday that Iraq may want to establish normal relations with the United States following of the U.S. vote at the United Nations condemning Israel's raid on Iraq's nuclear research center.

BEIRUT, (AP) — U.S. presidential envoy Philip C. Habib held talks with Lebanese Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan Wednesday in a continued effort to bring peace to war-torn Lebanon.

CAIRO, (AP) — An Egyptian court Tuesday cleared former Deputy Premier Ahmad Sultan of the charge of receiving bribe tota-

ling \$322,000 from the Westinghouse Electric Corporation in return for granting it a \$30 million contract to build a power plant here.

BEIRUT, (AP) — An Irish soldier of the United Nations peacekeeping force died in a traffic accident in southern Lebanon, becoming the 65th U.N. soldier to die in Lebanon, a U.N. spokesman said Wednesday.

CAIRO, (AFP) — A total of 166 persons have been arrested in Egypt in connection with Copt-Muslim clashes here a week ago in which 14 persons died and 54 were injured, the press reported Wednesday.

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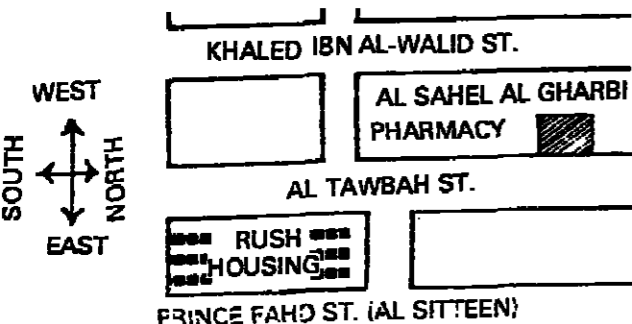
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U.S. nuclear talks with Israel frozen

TEL AVIV, June 24 (AFP) — American nuclear plant builders have "frozen" talks with Israel on its nuclear power program, the newspaper Maariv said Wednesday.

The decision followed the U.N. Security Council reprimand handed out to Israel for bombing the Tammuz reactor in Iraq, the paper noted. Maariv said: "It is to be hoped that the freeze is only temporary. In recent months, Israel has been in contact with several American nuclear plant builders...Numerous U.S. experts have visited Israel to discuss the projects on the spot."

Recalling that the experts came with U.S. government approval, it suggested that the freeze was inspired by the administration.

Meanwhile, Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin denied Wednesday that he publicly disclosed the contents of a secret American document allegedly expressing concern that Iraq was planning to build nuclear weapons. State Department spokesman David Parag said Tuesday the U.S. exchanged information with friendly countries on nuclear proliferation.

In a related development, five more men were executed by firing squads in Tehran's view Evin Prison, state radio said Tuesday raising to 37 the number of persons shot since demonstrations against the government last weekend.

Three other men were executed in provincial cities, one for having links with the regime of the deposed Shah and two for sexual offences, the Tehran newspaper Sobh-e-Azadegan (Dawn of freedom) said.

In Qom, six persons were killed and 56 wounded in Tuesday's bomb blast at the railway station according to a new toll issued Wednesday. Revolutionary guards in Qom said the "incendiary" device went off in the station waiting room only minutes after the arrival from Tehran of a train bound for Ahwaz in southern Iran.

In Hamburg, about 50 Iranians forced their way into the Iranian consulate Tuesday, fought with the employees and destroyed some furniture before fleeing when police arrived at the scene, police reported. Police arrested three persons as they fled the building and three others inside the consulate, officials said. Police said they did not know the motive behind the attack on the consulate.

Shagari stays away

OAU summit talks open

NAIROBI, June 24 (AFP) — The Organization of African Unity's 18th annual heads of state meeting opened here Wednesday. President Daniel Arap Moi of Kenya took over the chair from the outgoing OAU chairman, President Siaka Stevens of Sierra Leone.

Earlier, OAU ministers failed to reach agreement on the Middle East after a second late-night session, arousing concern and criticism among certain member states who are not members of the Arab League.

The ministers, who are preparing resolutions for submission to the summit adjourned exhausted in the early hours Wednesday without reaching an accord.

The sticking point has been the Arab League members' demand for condemnation of the Israel-Egypt peace process, with specific mention of Camp David, and many hours have been spent on the issue.

The critics include states, such as host country Kenya, which traditionally had close links with Israel, but broke relations with Tel Aviv after the 1973 October war, out of Afro-Arab solidarity.

The feeling is that Africa is being dragged into the Middle East conflict to the detriment

of basic continental issues.

Criticisms in the lobbies at the Kenyatta Conference Center here focus on Libya, which is deeply involved in the two top summit issues — Western Sahara and Chad, where Libya maintains a force of 10,000 men. The intervention upset even Chad's Islamic neighbors, such as Niger and Mali.

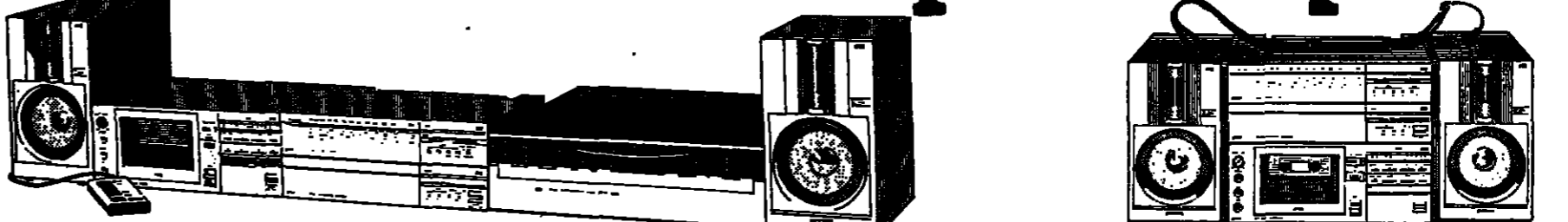
Egypt is one country campaigning against Libya as the host state for the 1982 summit, and is expected to get considerable support, even though Tripoli has pledged it will not ban any member — such as Egypt — from attendance. It had been hoped here that Nigerian President Shahu Shagari would act as counterweight to Libya at the conference, but his visit was cancelled suddenly Tuesday "as a mark of displeasure" at the OAU secretary's apparent failure to react to the Nigeria-Cameroon border dispute.

Nigeria protested to the secretariat after a border clash five weeks ago in which five Nigerian soldiers were killed. There was still no comment from the secretariat.

Egypt suffered a significant diplomatic setback Tuesday when several of its traditional friends joined Arab states in a condemnation of the Camp David peace agreements.



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## Guatemala massacre was to 'punish' village

By Susan Morgan

SAN MATAO IXTATAN, Guatemala — A cold drizzle drifted the graves where the village of San Matao Ixtatan has buried 36 of its men, women and children, massacred earlier in the month by an unknown group of armed men. The mile-high isolated Indian village lies in the mountainous northwest of Guatemala, close to the Mexican border.

Guerrilla activity is strong in the region and an army truck was blown up and a lieutenant killed by the "subversives" just behind our Land-Rover on the precipitous track leading to the village. Villagers, dressed in the traditional wide black hats and deep brown ponchos, spoke reluctantly to the first strangers to arrive since the massacre. They believe they were being punished for the growing losses inflicted on the army by left-wing guerrillas whose 4,000-strong forces have recently been swelled by the recruitment of young radicalized Indians.

On the night of the killings, the assassins arrived just after midnight, broke down the locked doors of the first four brick and mud dwellings at the edge of the village and, using flashlights to pinpoint their sleeping victims, machine-gunned 41 persons. Villagers heard a single car drive away but were so frightened that it was six hours before they dared investigate. They found five wounded survivors in two homes, none at all in the others.

One woman survivor said the assassins were members of the revolutionary Army of the Poor, one of the four main guerrilla movements operating in Guatemala, but most villagers believed the massacre was perpetrated either by the army or by one of the four right-wing vigilante groups who allegedly operate with the tacit support of the military government.

Two soldiers came to the village after the killings and make a cursory investigation, but such massacres are common in Guatemala's continuing civil strife and the killers were not officially identified. The four million indigenous population concentrated in the north and west of the country fear aggressive anti-guerrilla repression against them will grow more severe as the guerrillas achieve increasing successes in their rugged territory.

Some 4,000 Guatemalans have become the victims of the violence racking the country in the past 18 months and according to one clandestine human rights activist here, as many as 50,000 may have been killed since the start of the left-wing insurrection in 1954, after the CIA helped put a right-wing colonel into power in a coup. It is not surprising that 3,000 peasants a month are now emigrating to Mexico.

But more serious for the future of the country is the slaughter of the liberal, educated elite, considered by the right-wing to be subversive. Figures gathered by the U.S. State Department in its 1980 report on human rights in Guatemala, together with updated information from clandestine human rights activists here, show that in the past 18 months 67 lawyers, 100 trades unionists, more than 100 Christian Democrat leaders, eight priests and 14 journalists have been killed. Many more have been kidnapped and their bodies never found. After the murder of 136 university teachers and professors at the national university of San Carlos in the capital in the past 18 months, the university is now virtually paralyzed. It is almost impossible to find new teaching staff under these circumstances. "I consider the university to be the life-breath of the guerrillas," a high-placed colonel told a local academic. Now 70 elementary teachers have been killed, 36 so far this year, and scores more are leaving rural areas in terror before the wave of kidnappings and assassinations directed against them. — (ONS)

### Letter to the editor

Israel responsible

Sir,  
Hats off to His Royal Highness Prince Saud Al-Faisal for his clarity of thought when he said "tomorrow Israel would like to destroy (in self-defense) our universities so that we may not produce scientists or engineers!" Allow me, Sir, to reiterate that Israel remains 100 percent responsible for the wanton bombing and destruction of the Iraqi nuclear reactor. It might have achieved some short-term military gain but surely has lost a big political game and struck a nail in the coffin of the Camp David agreement because it is about time Anwar Sadat changed his mind.  
Yours faithfully  
Umar Farooq Nawaz  
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Riyadh

### MITTERRAND-MARCHAIS DEAL

The agreement the French Socialists and Communists concluded guarantees the latter four seats in the new Socialist cabinet. The French Socialists have scored a decisive victory in the parliamentary elections last Sunday — with sufficient representation in the National Assembly to carry their policies through unaided. The Communists on the other hand, suffered a decisive defeat, losing around half of their previous parliamentary presence. So why did Mitterrand nevertheless make a deal with George Marchais, leader of the Communist Party? One of the main reasons is the powerful Communist influence in the labor movement — the CGT which they dominate is France's strongest labor grouping. Thus although weak in the assembly, the Communists could still cause a great deal of trouble for Mitterrand's plans. Beyond that, the Communists had to concede a great deal for the privilege of joining the cabinet. Their stand on Afghanistan had to be reversed, they had to declare support for the Camp David accords — although here, and in line with the Mitterrand line, they also declared support for a Palestinian homeland. Internally, they had to give full endorsement to the Socialist reform program. France's Western allies are bound to regard the Socialist-Communist deal with apprehension. The Socialists could claim that they pared the lion's claws before they brought it into the fold, and to an extent, this appears to be what happened. Whether this would assure anyone is another matter, and the Socialist experiment will be carefully monitored.

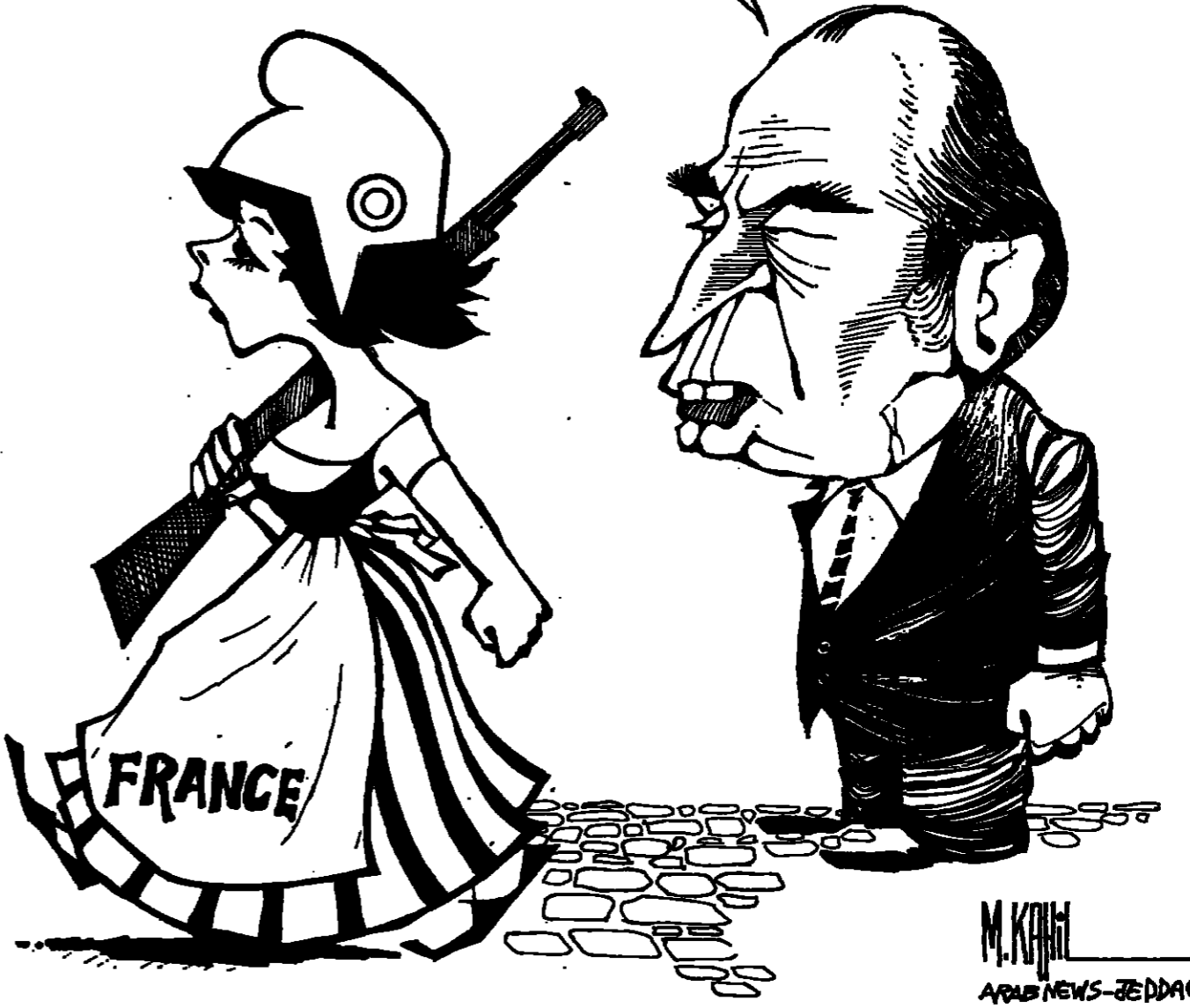
## Saudi Arabian Press Review

Newspapers mostly led with King Khaled's message to the leaders of the Arab states of the Gulf on the outcome of his recent tour of West Europe. Some papers, however, gave lead coverage to the deliberations of the Arab Follow-Up Committee on Lebanon which are taking place in Jeddah, and said that the Committee is concentrating on ending relations of some parties with the Zionist enemy. In a broad front-page story, *Al Riyadh* reported that the Jerusalem Committee of France held its first meeting in Paris Tuesday, chaired by Habib Chatri, Secretary General of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC). Chatri was reported as saying that Arab rifts are not perpetual and Israel will collapse as Rhodesia had earlier. The reported shooting down of five Soviet military aircraft by Afghan revolutionaries also figured prominently as a front-page story. Newspaper editorials generally discussed the mission of the Arab Follow-Up Committee on Lebanon. *Al Medina* said that, since the Committee has been successful in paving the way for a dialogue, it is expected that more positive steps will be taken to thrash out the problems which have inflamed the situation in the country for the past five years. The paper hoped that the parties concerned in Lebanon have by now realized that the Zionist enemy is the enemy of all Arabs and cannot be friendly to any party among the Arabs. On the same subject, *Al Riyadh* observed that the Committee's main task now would be to find a meeting ground for the various concepts on the

unity and sovereignty of Lebanon. After it has done this, the Committee will be called upon to tackle the remaining few points of difference, so it can pave the way for a third meeting which will provide a decisive point in the preparation of a draft for national conciliation. *Okaz* said in an editorial that the condition for the progress of the Committee's deliberations will, in the first instance, be in the hands of all parties concerned in Lebanon. Though all parties had agreed at Beiteddine to maintain a ceasefire, still some minor violations have taken place. It is therefore hoped that everyone concerned will try to maintain the ceasefire, so that a congenial atmosphere is created for national conciliation. As regards the Kingdom, the paper said, it will spare no efforts to realize peace, tranquility and stability for Lebanon. At the same time, it will be necessary for all parties concerned to prove to the world that the Arabs are capable of rearranging their house by themselves, thwarting the Israeli enemy's attempt to create dissension and discord among them. Dealing with the Committee's efforts, *Al Bilad* noted that the conflicting parties in Lebanon will be the first to benefit from the country's security and stability. Therefore, the role of these parties will not be confined to the Committee or any dialogue, but they will be called upon to take part in the drafting of formulas for every solution. The paper added that a big change in the Lebanese situation will provide a key to several factors that will help in the

realization of stability in the region. It hoped that both the Follow-Up Committee and the parties concerned in Lebanon will focus attention on the stability, peace and security of the country. *Al Jazirah* struck a note of optimism when it said that the Follow-Up Committee is meeting in Jeddah at a time when the security situation in Lebanon is heading toward stability. Such a long spell of calm in the country has been the result of the Committee's efforts in convincing the parties concerned of the need for a lasting ceasefire in the country. The paper urged the parties to continue to remain committed to the Beiteddine resolutions and to do everything possible to maintain the present ceasefire. If they succeed in this, they will also succeed in foiling all enemy attempts at creating any further tension or crisis in the country, the paper said. It added that, by finding a practical solution to the Lebanese crisis, the Follow-Up Committee will achieve a two-fold success. First, it will foil Israeli attempts to benefit from Lebanon's instability and, secondly, it will reassert Arab capability of closing rifts and differences and settling all their disputes without resorting to foreign mediation in their own affairs. With unity and solidarity, the paper maintained, the Arabs can confront any foreign threat to their interests and sovereignty. It further expressed the confidence that all parties concerned will remain eager to bring success to the efforts of the committee in creating a lasting solution to the Lebanese crisis.

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## America loses maritime superiority

By Robert C. Toth

WASHINGTON — "Sooner or later" Adm. Sergei G. Gorskov predicted in 1976 as he directed an unprecedented buildup in the Soviet Navy, "the United States will have to understand that it no longer has mastery of the sea." The moment that Gorskov anticipated has arrived. "We have lost our maritime superiority," U.S. Secretary of the Navy John Lehman said recently as he discussed the emergence of the Soviet Navy as a "blue water" force capable of operating throughout the world, far from its home bases. Virtually all defense specialists now would agree with that assessment. Much as the Soviet Union's strategic missile strength has grown to equal the U.S. nuclear arsenal, a recent navy intelligence estimate concluded that the Soviet Navy has expanded "to challenge the United States in all aspects of maritime power, qualitatively and quantitatively." In less than two decades, the Soviet Navy has been transformed from a force capable of little more than coastal defense into an armada so formidable that it already has forced the United States to share control of some oceans. And the momentum continues. Lehman disclosed that the Soviets have begun building their first great nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, the class of warships that has most symbolized U.S. dominance of distant seas since World War II. Naval historians see an ominous parallel between the Soviet Navy's challenge to the United States now and Germany's naval challenge to Great Britain before World War I. Despite Soviet construction of new surface warships whose bristling armaments recall the "pocket" battleships of World War II, some analysts argue that the buildup is a defensive reaction to what the Kremlin perceives as American naval threats. Other authorities, such as former U.S. Navy Chief Elmo Zumwalt, believe that the buildup is designed to support Soviet expansionist policy, up to and including intervention in overseas "wars of

liberation." Gorskov himself, who this year marked his 25th anniversary as head of the Soviet Navy, seems clearly willing to have his ships used as an instrument of power politics. The expanded Soviet Navy has been "a great aid to Soviet diplomacy" in Third World regions, he wrote in 1978. As the Lebanese missile crisis recently heated up, the Soviets moved nine ships into the Mediterranean in just six days, bringing their total fleet in that area to 39. In 1958, when U.S. Marines landed in Lebanon, the Soviets did not put nine ships all told into that sea. The 1962 Cuban missile crisis demonstrated even more strikingly Moscow's lack of warships with a long reach, according to Vice Adm. Sylvester R. Foley, deputy chief of naval operations for plans, policy and operations. "The U.S. naval blockade, I feel, made the Soviets recognize the value of naval power to support national aims far from home," Foley said. Naval scholars such as Michael McGwire of the Brookings Institution date the Soviet naval expansion to 1961. They argue that it was "largely a response to the rapid buildup" of U.S. strategic and conventional forces ordered then by President John F. Kennedy. In this view, Soviet warships and submarines, designed to attack U.S. carriers — whose nuclear bombers are capable of hitting Moscow — and nuclear missile submarines, were "forward deployed" into deep water, first into the eastern Mediterranean and the Norwegian sea, then into the North Atlantic and Arabian Seas, as the range of U.S. missiles grew. McGwire and others have maintained that the Soviets developed ocean-going warships to protect their sea lanes through the Atlantic and Indian Oceans, between European Russia and the Soviet Pacific coast. They argue that the Chinese threat to the trans-Siberian railroads require the alternate sea route. But to Navy Secretary Lehman and Adm. Foley, the Soviets do not have the same critical dependence on the sea as the United States, and Mos-

cow's blue-water navy cannot be justified as a defensive force. "They are out to oppose our lines of communication that bring us raw materials and are vital to resupply Europe if necessary," Foley said. "Soviet ships and submarines outgun us with their Cruise missiles, which are the modern equivalent of naval artillery. They have ranges up to 250 miles, while our maximum range is 80 miles. While its navy has only about 260 ships, the Soviet Union's commercial and fishing fleets are ready auxiliary vessels. "If one of their civilian tankers is passing nearby, the Soviet Navy can call on it to service its ships," Foley said. "That gives them tremendous flexibility." Moreover, the Soviets' naval mission has been to keep the United States from exercising free rein in certain ocean regions, not to control those regions themselves. This requires fewer ships than the "sea control" mission. Among the most striking Soviet advances are: —Five alpha class titanium-hulled, nuclear-powered attack submarines, which are the fastest (perhaps 45 knots), deepest diving (up to 4,000 feet) in the world-construction techniques (used on these vessels) may be applied to missile submarines. —The "pocket battleship" *Karov*, with a sister ship under construction, is the Soviets' first nuclear-powered warship, "twice the size of any surface combatant, other than an aircraft carrier, to be built since World War II," Shapiro said. It is equipped with new generations of surface-to-air missiles, long-range anti-ship Cruise missiles, and anti-sub missiles, as well as various guns and helicopters. Even before these technological developments are felt, the Soviets have already "forced the United States to share control of the sea," according to Prof. Bull of Oxford. "The distribution of naval power is better described today in terms of equilibrium rather than in terms of preponderance of a single state," Bill wrote. This balance "is an exceptional, not a normal situation in ocean affairs, and its implications for world politics are not yet fully apparent." Lehman, with White House support, wants to increase the U.S. Navy by one-third, to about 600 ships, including 15 carrier-centered battle groups (up from the present 12) to comprise a three-ocean fleet (instead of the present two-ocean capability). Soviet shipbuilding shows no signs of slackening, however. Last year the Soviets launched three new classes of submarines, for example, totaling 14 vessels, nine of them nuclear. By comparison, the United States launched two (nuclear) submarines all told in 1980. The Soviets launched the first gigantic *Typhoon* ballistic missile submarine which, at more than 25,000-ton displacement, is by far the world's largest submersible. Three more *Typhoons* are under construction. The Soviets have four so-called "Aviation Cruisers" with helicopters and jet aircraft aboard. Two more are under construction. In addition, they have begun manufacturing components and preparing shipyards for their first nuclear-powered carrier, which is expected to displace up to 75,000 tons and carry high-performance, fixed-wing jets. By 1990 the Soviets will have the ships necessary to form at least five carrier-centered battle groups, and authorities such as J.S. Bremer, writing in the *Naval War College Review*, argue that the goals and mission of the Soviet fleet thereafter will shift from "sea denial" to become "the more traditional goal of a great naval power: maritime supremacy." The Soviets "have made technological advances which in some cases are superior to our own," Rear Adm. Sumner Shapiro, chief of naval intelligence, recently told Congress. "We can no longer depend on superior American technology to offset Soviet numbers." —(LAT)



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OIC CONFERENCE: During the Paris Organization of the Islamic Conference meetings Habib Chatti expressed confidence that the Arab and Palestine cause will triumph. Left to right, PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, Moroccan King Hassan and Chatti.

## Based on politics, history, Chatti predicts Arab triumph

By Ahmad Shaaban

PARIS. — Habib Chatti, secretary general of the 42-nation Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC) based in Jeddah, recently expressed confidence that the Arab and Palestinian cause will triumph and fixed an appointment to all Muslims, Christians and Jews alike to restore Jerusalem to the Arab.

Chatti said that his confidence was based on a study of world history showing that the country remained forever torn and that all people who manifested their will to live have viewed their objective. No political alliance has ever resisted the trials of time, and the well-comprehended interests or to changes in political opinions.

To be more explicit, the OIC secretary general cited America's vote-face in the On-Sa and Vietnam. He referred to the once-recognable white Rhodesia of Ian Smith and to bygone Portuguese colonies. Chatti's remarks implied that the United States will, in relinquish its present, unconditional support in favor of its own interests.

Chatti's affirmations opened the first meeting of the France-Jerusalem Committee, a committee set up by the OIC at UNESCO headquarters in the French capital December 1-2. Similar committees will be established in other European and Western countries, not to promote the Jerusalem cause, but to motivate the local citizens of those countries to support that cause. The whole drive was launched last year by the 15-member Jerusalem Committee, an off-shoot of the OIC, headed by King Hassan II of Morocco.

The Association France-Al-Qods (Jerusalem Committee) was established to oppose the Israeli policy of fait accompli which wants to monopolize Jerusalem for one religion. Chatti pointed out that attempts are being made to construct Jerusalem erasing its past and turning it into the capital of an artificial system based on race and religion. But the Judaization and annexation of Jerusalem constitute a violation of Palestinian rights and a challenge to Christians, Muslims and non-Zionist Jews.

These plans oppose international law and the opinion as represented by the United Nations General Assembly and the Security Council, he affirmed.

It is difficult to admit that people and countries that yesterday fought fiercely against Nazism and Fascism now feel at ease in the face of neutrality, or complicity. This is although Israel makes its daily living constant violation of the basic principles of justice, equality and appropriates for methods and doctrines of which it was the victim.

Chatti said he regretted that the United States veto rights encouraged and helped the establishment and prevented the international community from applying the sanctions provided in Chapter VII of the United Nations Charter. The Tel-Aviv regime is the division in Arab ranks to redouble aggressions in the area, such as its latest aggression against Iraq, Chatti said. Such a situation, he asserted will irresistibly have to end and cannot come within a few months,

or even a few years. He said the fight will be long and relentless. What is needed is perseverance, patience and also vigilance, he stressed.

The December seminar asked all peace-loving persons in the world to subscribe to it. Since then it has already been signed by prominent orientalists, politicians and intellectuals including, from France, former minister Louis Ternois, writer and orientalist Jacques Berque, Pierre Lelong, Maurice Bucaille, Claude Brodet, Marcel Boisard and others, as well as Eliane Halivi, a Jew well known for his opposition to the Zionist doctrine.

The Paris Appeal was addressed to all believers, especially followers of Islam, Christianity and Judaism, and all peace-loving men, condemned Israel's policies and practices in the occupied Palestinian and

Arab territories as well as its step by step annexation of the Holy City. It also vehemently denounced Israel's policy of substituting the original inhabitants with a purely Jewish population by deporting and expelling the former residents, dynamiting their houses, and replacing them with all-Jewish housing compounds throughout occupied Palestine.

Tuesday's meeting is expected to result in a practical plan for the familiarization of French public opinion with the issue and the defense of the cause. The drive will be undertaken at all levels with the political circles in France.

France's special importance is due to the fact that it is a cultural lighthouse in Europe and a well-known center for the defense of human rights. According to OIC officials, the France-Jerusalem Committee is meant as a model for other similar local committees to be set up in Europe and elsewhere.

## Design innovation Inexpensive furniture

By David M. Maxfield

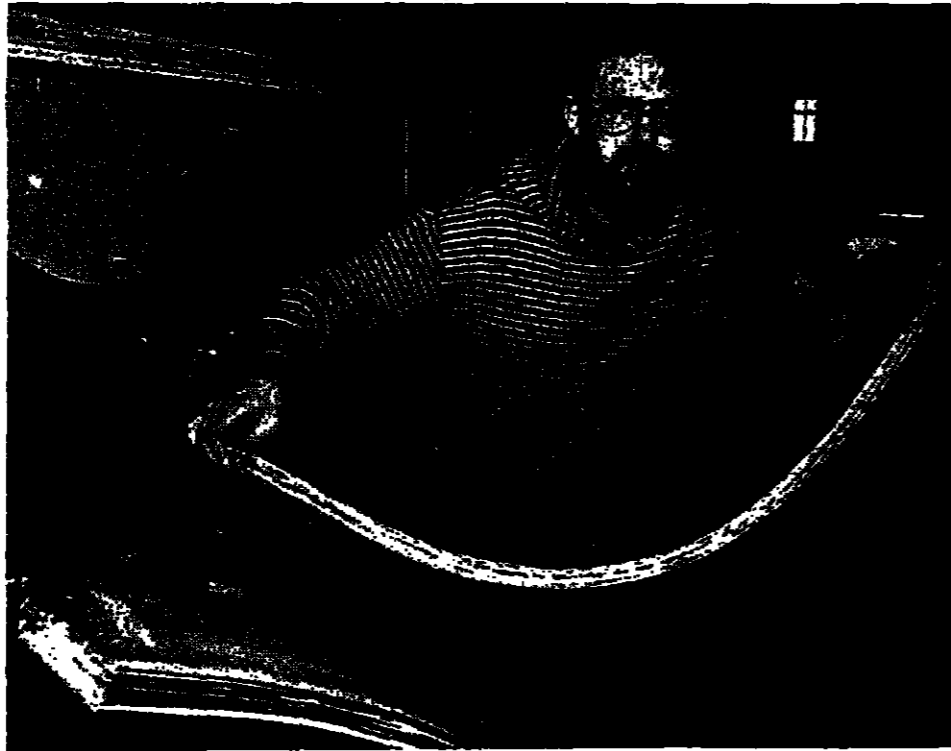
WASHINGTON, (SNS) — You're probably reading this in a favorite easy chair, a new modular unit, heirloom rocker, old Windsor, wingback or director's chair. Have you thought much about that chair or that there might be creative individuals quietly at work devising and refining the household objects that directly affect our day-to-day convenience and comfort.

One of these is Peter Danko of Alexandria, Va., the 32-year-old designer of an innovative plywood chair molded from a single sheet

of laminated wood under 16 tons of pressure. Designed in 1976, the museum-quality chair is simplicity itself, the product of this craftsman's inquiring mind, an inspired moment and a dash of luck.

"I wanted to design a chair that was ultra-functional, good-looking and also inexpensive," Danko said recently. "But I had no idea what I was doing; I was never aware of the history of furniture design."

The creator of limited-edition sculptural furniture, Danko felt that both his own work and the production process he observed at factories was too time-consuming, a result of



NEW CREATION: Designer Peter Danko examines a piece of plywood just molded under intense pressure.

### JEDDAH

VISITING TURKISH BANKERS from the Anadolu Bankasi met last Wednesday at the invitation of Filaret Berket, the former Turkish Ambassador who is now a private consultant. Erhan Isil and Erol Tokrac, the two visiting bankers had a chance to meet in an informal atmosphere with a number of local bankers, Saudi Arabian officials and other technocrats who were gathered at the Berket home.

THE LADIES DAY AT THE Palestinian Cultural Festival was a heart-warming affair on Tuesday evening. There was a capacity audience at the PLO's courtyard. The stage was decorated simply with the Saudi Arabian and Palestinian flags and photos of the leaders. The surrounding area carried a display of posters, books, handicrafts and paintings about Palestine. Salluuh Khalaf opened the event with a short talk and silent prayers for the martyrs. Shafiq Jassar expressed hopes for a solution of the Palestinian problem. The program included well practiced and faultless tableaux by Palestinian children dressed in the black, red, white and green colors of the Palestinian flag. Beautiful hand crafted items were on sale for reasonable prices. Today is the last day of the exhibition.

NETHERLANDS AMBASSADOR J. Van Nijpen Tot Sevenaer hosted a reception Sunday evening to say goodbye to the Mollingers. The function was well attended by a number of friends and colleagues of Romy Mollinger.

Another goodbye for the Mollingers was arranged by the Gore-Booths of the British Embassy on Tuesday evening. It turned out to be a great evening among close friends. David proved to be an eloquent speaker with an on the spot delivery of not one but three speeches.

THE AMBASSADOR OF NORWAY Jan Ostern gave a lunch on Tuesday to say farewell to Fred Nomme, his second in command who is shortly leaving for Rabat. An assorted group of senior diplomats and the Deputy Chief of Protocol at the Foreign Ministry attended the sumptuous meal.

Meanwhile, the Nommes of the Norwegian Embassy themselves hosted two receptions earlier in the week, one for the French speaking and the other for their English speaking friends, to say au revoir. The Nommes, who have spent two years in Jeddah, will be greatly missed in the local social circles. Evelyn Nomme, who is a talented violinist, will be especially missed in the music groups and by her students at the French and American Schools. She

laborious assemblage steps. "Why should it take so long?" he thought.

One evening, as Danko toyed with a 3-by-5 menu card, bending it back and forth. "The idea — the single piece chair — just came to me," he recalls. After several manufacturers were skeptical, Danko turned to the Museum of Modern Art in New York City. The museum quickly accepted the chair for its design study collection, then put him in contact with a receptive manufacturer, who is putting the chair into mass production.

Along with dozens of other household objects, many of them chairs that revolve, rock, fold up, stack and inflate, Danko's work also has found its way into a Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service show entitled "Innovative Furniture in America."

The exhibit focuses on the technological changes in furniture design and production during the 19th and 20th centuries in terms of materials, comfort, portability, multiple use and fabrication techniques. Danko's chair, as it turns out, is the descendant of a pioneer bentwood model so modern in appearance that the two look like contemporaries.

Comfort, a major priority today, was given little thought until the 1800s. The ubiquitous easy chair, for example, hardly existed before the Victorian Age, primarily because the most important invention until that time relating to comfort — the spiraled or coiled inner spring — was not introduced until 1828.

The rocking chair, an American invention, has also offered its owners a comfortable

will have her hands full settling down and learning classical violin and oriental music in Rabat. We wish good luck to them.

A BUFFET RECEPTION was hosted by the Boves of the American Embassy at their elegant home to say goodbye to Leonard Szenzy who leaves for Washington D.C. shortly. The hosts made the most of the marvelous weather that evening and the rooftop gathering was an enjoyable experience. Also present at the function was Mark Hambley who is off to Cairo soon on his next assignment.

Finally, we would like to inform our readers that with the advent of the Holy month of Ramadan next week and the coming holiday season, Arab News Diary will be discontinued for this period. We wish our readers a Happy Ramadan and Eid Al Fitr and hope to join you next season.

### RIYADH

THE ART EXHIBITION HELD at the Center of Modern Design on Airport Road was a treat for the eyes and stimulating for the mind. The show presented the talents of several new and professional artists represented by Galerie Guigne of Paris. Du Janerand, an established artist in the Kingdom captures the viewers with the interesting subjects he chooses to paint, they are mostly the familiar scenes of Saudi Arabia. Jacques Corlehart in his paintings opens a wonderful world of sea, birds, insects, squirrels, the mysterious world of animals in water color and engravings. Jean-Claude Bourgeois describes and paints peasant villages like poetry with the roofs covered with snow and grey skies. Francis Boucheix is a painter of reality and surrealistic fantasy. He uses the technology of China laque.

Tony Agostini's actual world is the one of still-life miscellany who allows the viewer to discover personal technology. Françoise Adnet paints young ladies, boys, objects and dolls; self educated, her paintings are shown in a lot of international collections. Michel Jouenne loves great spaces and wide out doors he paints the air, light, sun, oxygen... in warm colors. His paintings have appeared in international museums and private collections.

THE ATALLAH HOUSE HAS Moroccan specialties prepared by Moroccan chefs from June 20 to July 2 at the Cavaliers Room restaurant every night.

THE INTERNATIONAL Businessmen's Association had its luncheon meeting at the Hotel Al-Khozama last Wednesday at 12.30 p.m. The speaker for the meeting was Canadian Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, H.E. Jacques Roy.

### EASTERN PROVINCE

A 17-MEMBER BRAZILIAN media group comprising representatives from leading newspapers, TV stations and the state radio visited UPM June 17th. The group was briefed on the university by Dr. Abdul Aziz Al-Sagr, chairman of the Systems Engineering and Computer Sciences Department, before being conducted on a tour of UPM facilities.

RASTANURA NEIGHBORS, the wol-cots and the blounts, shared the prize for yard-of-the-month for their joint gardening efforts begun last November when the two couples installed a driftwood border around their garden now planted with a variety of cacti and succulents including yucca, aloë, devil's petal, and re-flowering crown of thorns.

ARAMCO EMPLOYEE Raymond W. Sarlin has been named 'International Trainer of the Year' by the American Society for Training and Development (ASTD) in recognition of his work in the development of a major training program designed to assimilate Saudi Arabians into the technical work force at the Ras Tanura and Du'Ayrah terminals. Sarlin's staff of highly-skilled Saudi Arabian employees conduct the training which emphasizes "How-to" illustrations to reduce reliance on written materials for trainees who speak English as a second language.

EASTERN PROVINCE DEPARTURES include two from the American Consulate at Dhahran. Andrea Farsakh and Daryl Daniels will be leaving to assume new posts with the U.S. embassies in Jeddah and Cairo respectively.

UPM GRADUATION EXERCISES will take place June 26, 7 p.m. at the UPM Stadium. The Minister of Higher Education, Sheikh Hassan bin Abdullah Al-Sheikh, will preside at the presentation of diplomas.

JUNE 29, AND 30 AT 7 P.M., "Cultural Festival '81" will be held at the Abqaiq School Gymnasium.

AN ADDRESS June 30, at the Dhahran Dining Hall, sponsored by the Saudi Arabia Section of the Society of Petroleum Engineers will feature William E. Whitney, general manager of the ARAMCO Drilling and Workover Department. Whitney will present a review of a 2-year deep-water drilling program. The meeting at 7:15 p.m. is preceded by refreshments at 6 and dinner at 6:30.



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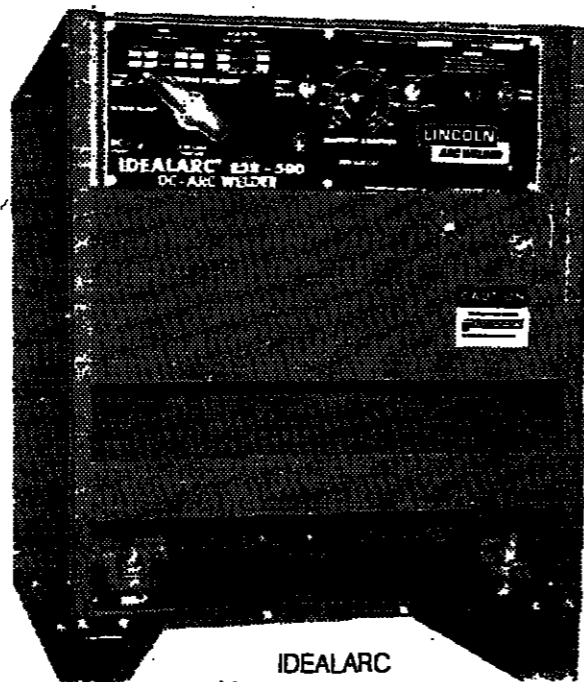
expanded, chairs that turned into library steps and, more bizarrely, beds concealed in piano backs.

Even in its day, the convertible furniture trend got to be a bit "excessive," Hanks notes, and such items as the piano-bed became objects of ridicule. The craze for many of the cross-breeds eventually receded, but the multi-use design concept, he points out, seems here to stay, appearing now in the form of elaborate home entertainment centers and kitchen "islands" that serve as both work and storage units.

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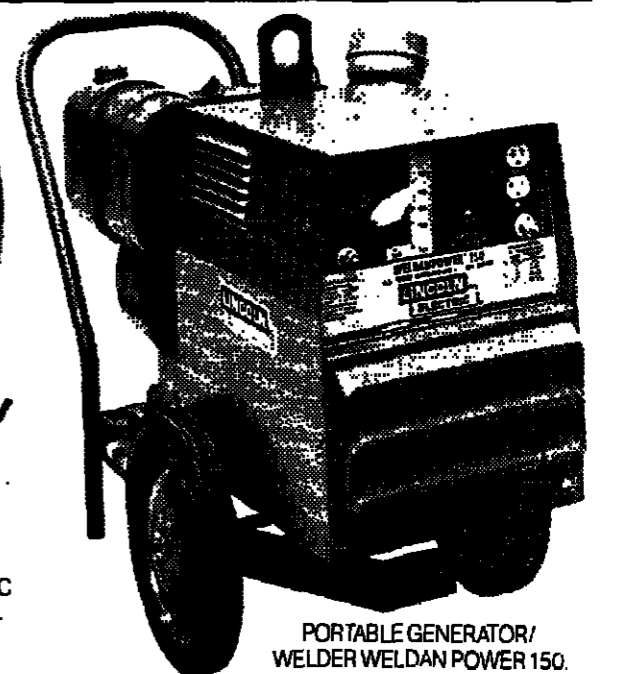
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# Millions in Seoul denounce Kim rule

SEOUL, June 24 (AP) — Effigies of North Korean leader Kim Il-Sung and his son — and perhaps political heir — Kim Chong-Il, were burned in this South Korean capital Wednesday at a giant rally on the eve of the 31st anniversary of the start of the Korean war.

Unofficial estimates of the throng that gathered at Yoido Plaza in the Han River ranged up to two million. The participants carried banners and placards denouncing the Communist North Korean regime and calling for peaceful unification of the divided peninsula. Speakers included two recent defectors from the North.

Although there was no official word, more impetus appeared to be given to the anniversary observance this year than in many past years. For days there have been detailed stories and pictures in newspapers recalling the conflict, while television and radio have carried war documentaries and plays.

Some sources speculated that the added emphasis reflected official concern that many among the generations of younger people do not appreciate the agony of that period and resulting, continuing confrontation with North Korea.

The Korean War began in the early-morning darkness of June 25, 1950, as monsoon rains swept the peninsula. With air support and spearheaded by tanks, powerful North Korean troops plunged down the Uijongbu corridor, long a traditional invasion route to the South. Seoul fell within three days.

United Nations forces, the largest contingent American, came to the aid of South Korea, while Chinese troops later intervened to support the North. Bitter fighting went on until an armistice agreement was signed July 27, 1953.

When it was over, an estimated 2,407,000 people had been killed or maimed in three years, one month and two days of what had been termed "limited war" or a "police action." South Korean military losses reached 140,000 dead and more than 700,000 wounded. The United States had 142,091 casualties, 33,629 of them men killed in combat.

The uneasy truce, broken by occasional bloody incidents, has held since then, but there is no peace accord. The United States still has about 39,000 military personnel here to support South Korea's 600,000-strong armed forces. North Korea's military strength is put at 700,000.

## Cambodia conference to begin on July 23

HONOLULU, Hawaii, June 24 (AP) — The international conference on Cambodia opening in New York on July 23 could be adjourned after only one or two days in the hope Vietnam will later decide to join, a senior U.S. official said Wednesday.

The official, accompanying Secretary of State Alexander Haig on his current Far East tour, was speaking to journalists aboard the plane bringing Haig from New Zealand to Honolulu.

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# Fiber link seen sufficient to charge Atlanta suspect

ATLANTA, June 24 (R) — A judge has ruled that there was sufficient evidence for a grand jury to consider whether to charge Wayne Williams with the murder of one of 28 young blacks killed in Atlanta over the past two years. Fulton county judge Albert Thompson made his ruling after a three-hour procedural hearing.

Williams, a 23-year-old black who sat silently through the hearing, was arrested Sunday in connection with the murder of Nathaniel Cater. Cater's body was found in the Chattahoochee River on May 24.

Experts testified Tuesday that up to six strands of fibers from Williams' possessions matched fibers found on Cater's body. Police officers who questioned Williams on a bridge over the river on May 22 also testified. Williams' lawyer Tony Axon called the state's case "speculation, surmise and newspaper reports" and asked the judge to set his client free.

But the judge ordered that Williams, a free-lance music promoter and television cameraman, remain under heavy guard in an isolation cell at the Fulton county jail.

The main prosecution witness was Larry Petersen, a micro-analyst for the Georgia state crime lab. He testified that a fiber from a green carpet in Williams' bedroom, one from a bedspread and two or three from the carpet of his car appeared



ATLANTA VICTIM: Nathaniel Cater, the 28th victim in the Atlanta slayings. The discovery of his body in the Chattahoochee River has led to the arrest of Wayne Williams. To match fibers taken Cater's head on May 24. Williams did not testify and was protected by deputy sheriffs from a crowd of 200 that packed the courtroom.

# India, China to evolve border dispute solution

NEW DELHI, June 24 (AFP) — India holds no illusion about a possible quick solution to the long-standing Sino-Indian border dispute during Chinese Foreign Minister Huang Hua's five-day visit beginning Friday, sources close to the Indian Foreign Office said Wednesday.

"The most important task facing Huang and his Indian counterpart, P.V. Narasimha Rao will be to strive for laying down the principles on which the border (issue) can be negotiated", a ministry source said.

"Indications are that both sides are willing to try it out and if they succeed in laying down the principles, the visit will be considered a

success, but we do not expect there will be a quick and dramatic solution", he added. Leading Indian newspapers are of the view that Huang's visit, the first by a Chinese dignitary since April 1960 will not bring any sudden change in the relations between the two countries which have been strained since the 1962 border war.

Huang, who is scheduled to arrive here in the early hours of Friday, will have at least two rounds of talks with Rao. He will also call on President Neelam Sanjiva Reddy and Prime Minister Indira Gandhi before leaving on a sight-seeing tour of the Taj Mahal city of Agra and the southern city of Madras June 29.

From Madras he will continue his South-Asian tour June 30, with visits to Sri Lanka and the Indian Ocean Maldivé Islands. Huang will lead a nine-member delegation, will be accompanied by his wife, He Liliang who is also a senior official in the Chinese Foreign Ministry.

There is no fixed agenda for the talks, but sources said that the border issue and the prospect of improving bilateral diplomatic economic and cultural relations will dominate the talks.

The Chinese, according to official records, claim over 129,000 square kms under Indian occupation in the northeast including parts of Assam and Arunachal Pradesh, while India maintains that the Chinese have seized 37,000 square kms of its land in the western border area of Ladakh and Aksai Chin.

Meanwhile, Chinese ambassador Shen Jian said Tuesday that China wants to further improve its relations with India and will adopt a positive attitude during the foreign ministers' talks. Shen told the Indian news agency PTI that his country wanted to strengthen ties with India and he believed that there was a similar desire on the Indian side.

## Indonesian hijacking

### Commandos said given U.S. help

NEW YORK, June 24 (AP) — A small U.S. military anti-terrorist team assisted Indonesian commandos who overpowered hijackers of an Indonesian airliner held in Thailand in March, *The New York Times* reported Wednesday.

The *Times* said American officials described U.S. aid as primarily providing expensive specialized equipment and weapons that were developed recently. The Americans also trained the Indonesians in the use of the equipment but did not take part in the raid itself, the officials stressed.

The hijacking began March 28 when five armed men commandeered a Garuda Airlines Turbo jet during a domestic flight in Indonesia. There were 55 passengers and crew members aboard, including three Americans. The hijackers ordered the pilot to fly first to Penang, Malaysia, and then to Bangkok.

They then demanded that President Suharto of Indonesia release about 80 persons that the hijackers said were political prisoners. Suharto, evidently playing for time, told the terrorists that he agreed, but

that it would take time to get through to all necessary Thai officials, find a country to accept them and make other arrangements.

The *Times* said it was not known whether Suharto asked for assistance, but President Ronald Reagan decided to send the anti-terrorist team with the permission of the Thai and Indonesian governments. The Americans had only one day to train the Indonesians to use the special equipment.

At 2:40 a.m. March 31, about 20 Indonesian commandos slipped across the tarmac of the airport, quietly propped ladders against the jet's fuselage and climbed onto the wings. Using the special American equipment, they forced open two doors and burst inside.

In the three-minute battle that followed, the commandos killed three of the five hijackers and wounded a fourth who later died in a hospital. The chief pilot, one of the commandos and a few passengers were wounded, but all 55 passengers and crew members survived. An American and a Briton had escaped before the commando assault began.

# U.S. denies meddling in affairs of Zambia

WASHINGTON, June 24 (AP) — State Department spokesman David Passage has called Zambia's action in expelling two American diplomats "a grave one" to the tradition of friendship between the two countries. "We categorically deny the charge that our two diplomats were engaged in any inappropriate activity and any suggestion that the United States seeks to interfere in the internal affairs of Zambia," Passage said.

He added that the administration is at a "bit of a loss" to explain why the Zambians expelled the diplomats. Other sources said, however, the Zambian government has been showing signs of instability lately and may have been concerned about contacts the diplomats have had with opposition political figures in that country. The sources emphasized that such contacts are routine and are a widely accepted diplomatic practice.

American relations with black Africa are bound to sour further because of the Zambian action. "Ironically, this is likely to benefit the South African conservatives by pushing the United States closer to them," a Western diplomatic source commented in Johannesburg Tuesday.

Zambian sources said the expulsions were ordered after a second unsuccessful attempt to overthrow President Kenneth Kaunda's government. But these sources said the American expulsions were not connected with this coup attempt, which was said to involve South African commandos, Katangese mercenaries and some Zambians.

Kaunda also had accused South Africa, whose white-minority government is anathema in black Africa, of involvement in an alleged coup attempt last October.

The diplomatic source discounted the claim of South African involvement, saying "there is not a shred of evidence to prove that if South Africa ever decided to topple Kaunda they could do it." But the source said there might be something to the allegation of Katangese support for anti-Kaunda dissidents.

Kaunda, meanwhile, decided to cancel his planned trip to the Organization of African Unity summit meeting in Nairobi, Kenya.

## U.S. court OKs secret search of foreign agents

WASHINGTON, June 24 (AP) — The U.S. government has won a ruling from the secret foreign intelligence surveillance court that it need not obtain warrants to search property and offices controlled by foreign agents in the United States.

The action reverses a policy adopted by the Justice Department near the end of the Carter administration as a safeguard to civil liberties and protection from unreasonable searches.

The ruling was issued by presiding judge George L. Hart Jr. on June 11 and released Tuesday by the Justice Department. It was the first decision by the court ever disclosed to the public. The court was established by a 1978 law to operate entirely in "secret and to grant warrants for electronic surveillance in the United States of foreign agents."

The court said it acted on an application for a warrant for the FBI to search non-residential premises under the control of a foreign power. The search did not involve a break-in, but it would be done without telling the subjects of the search, it said.

Various intelligence experts said Tuesday that this could have been a search of a foreign embassy or consulate, of the offices of a corporation owned by a foreign government, or even of an office rented by foreign spies under cover.

The full definition of "agent of a foreign power" in U.S. federal regulations is a classified secret. But under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act an agent of a foreign power is someone who is or may be engaged in a criminal violation. That standard applies to wiretaps and bugs authorized by the secret court.

## Diana portrait planned

LONDON, June 24 (AP) — An artist whose somber painting of Prince Charles and blurred image of Princess Margaret drew bars from the critics has been commissioned to paint the first official portrait of Lady Diana Spencer.

The commission to British portrait painter Bryan Organ comes from the National Portrait Gallery in London which will unveil the new work on July 23, a week before Lady Diana marries Charles.



GERMAN SQUATTER: West Berlin police carry away a squatter from an occupied house in the district of Zehlendorf Tuesday. The spacious house was occupied by te squatters for nearly two months while the owners were in possession of a communist permit to demolish the building.

## Rare privilege

### Soviets seek family holiday

MOSCOW, June 24 (AFP) — Soviet citizens are demanding new rights — to annual family holidays, a rare privilege. Usually husband and wife, working in different factories or offices, find they are given different holiday dates.

"We have been married for three years and we have a two-year-old child, but we have never been able to take a holiday together," a young woman complained recently in a letter to the *Komsomolskaya Pravda*, official newspaper of the Soviet Communist youth movement.

If an official publication publishes a letter on this kind of subject, it means the complaint expresses the view of many Soviet citizens and is therefore taken seriously by the authorities. In this case the writer went on: "The government has so far not been able to solve this problem of family holiday."

The difficulty arises from the Soviet system itself, as factories and offices do not close for annual holidays as in many other countries. Workers are sent on holidays at dates seemingly picked by chance, or according to the needs of the service.

The result is that summer holidays — usually a month in the Soviet Union — are often given to husbands and wives on different dates. There is no doubt this is a nationwide

problem, because 93 percent of women go out to work.

The *Komsomolskaya Pravda* letter v said a large number of couples failed in marriage because it was impossible for husband and wife and children to be together on holiday. One-third of all Soviet marriages end in divorce. She asked: "What do you do when the husband goes off to the sunny sun on holiday by himself as his wife has a different holiday date? Even for our honeymoon we were unable to go away together."

"We see each other only at weekends, then we have to catch up on domestic chores." There can be no doubt Soviet authorities are well aware of the problem. For several years an experiment has been carried out at a factory in Kiev, based on Western methods in which the factory closes down in August and the entire labor force goes on holiday at the same time.

The Soviet press has said the experiment was a great success, with everybody happy, production increased. But it will be 10 years before it is adopted on a nationwide basis.

In the meantime, factory workers will go on jostling and maneuvering to get dates that suit their marriage partner: they can have a family holiday, under a tem conducive to bribery and corruption

## Columbia readying for encore trip

COCOA BEACH, Florida, June 24 (AP) — Plans are proceeding smoothly for the U.S. space shuttle *Columbia's* Sept. 30 encore mission, which will last nearly 125 hours — more than twice as long as the first, officials have announced.

"It is going to be one busy flight, more of a working flight rather than a test flight," said Bill Green, a Rockwell International technical expert. He and officials of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) held a special briefing Tuesday.

"The last flight was a drop in the bucket compared to the amount of work that (shuttle astronauts) Cmdr. Joe Engle and Dick Truly will have to do on this flight," said Green. Its first voyage, carrying astronauts John Young and Robert Crippen and launched from Kennedy Space Center on April 12, lasted 54 hours.

Green said the astronauts will spend about 88 hours upside down with the shuttle's cargo bay doors open so that experimental cameras can view the earth. They will take pictures, radar images and various measurements. Also, the astronauts will try out the new

manipulating arm provided by Canada used in operational missions for its payloads out of the cargo bay and also to up satellites in space and bring them back earth.

Green said the arm would be operated both automatically by computers and manually by astronauts, but that no payload will be removed from the spacecraft in upcoming mission. During the mission, Truly will enter an airlock to don the special vehicular spacesuit that an astronaut wears if he went outside the ship.

Green said work is progressing well preparing *Columbia* for the new mission noted, though, that it will probably be 10 years before the space center achieves their goal of a two-week turnaround time for the shuttle.

Workers are replacing 800 to 1,000 mail tiles that serve as the ship's protect against heat. About 300 of the tiles damaged during the shuttle's first flight landing. Green also said the shuttle's landing gear is being upgraded.

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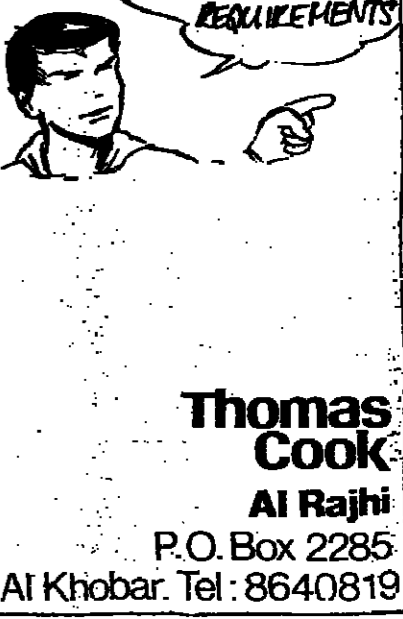
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Borg whips Purcell to advance

LONDON, June 24 (AFP) — Title-holder top seed Bjorn Borg needed just one 22 minutes to defeat Mel Purcell of the United States 6-4, 6-1, 6-3, in the second round of the Wimbledon Tennis Tournament here Wednesday.

The match had been interrupted for nearly an hour before Borg came back out to finish the match. Americans Chris Evert-Lloyd and Martina Navratilova were both easy winners in the second round of the women's singles.

baseball talks resume

By Cynthia Shanley Houston Bureau

HOUSTON, June 24 — Both sides of the baseball strike were to meet again Wednesday, with federal mediator Kenneth Moffatt on the 13th day of the first in-season court in major-league history.

Coghlan sets new Irish mark

RELAND, June 24 (R) — Eamonn Coghlan set an Irish record for the mile Tuesday in a race which for the first time saw Irish milers timed at under four minutes.

The longest baseball tie

PAWTUCKET, Rhode Island, June 24 (R) — The longest game in professional baseball history lasted to the bottom of the 33rd inning before the Pawtucket Red Sox defeated the Rochester Red Wings 3-2 in an international league match here Tuesday night.

Hadiyanto scores akewalk victory

BANGKOK, June 24 (AFP) — Top-seed Hadiyanto of Indonesia needed only 17 minutes to dispose of his men's singles opponent Kim Brodersen of Denmark 15-5, 7-5 as the first Carlton Open Badminton Championships began here Tuesday.

U.S. called Kathy Rinaldi. She became the youngest player to play at Wimbledon for 74 years and celebrated the occasion with a marathon three set two hours 36 minutes win over a 19-year-old South African Susan Rollinson.

Wednesday's results: Men's singles (second round): Bjorn Borg, Sweden, def. Mel Purcell, U.S. 6-4, 6-1, 6-3; Victor Amaya, U.S. def. C. Mottram, Britain, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2; R. Rawley, Australia, def. C. Letcher, Australia 6-3, 6-1, 6-3; M. Wilander, Sweden, def. H. Leconte, France 4-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.

Women's singles: (second round): M. Navratilova, U.S. def. S. Mascaran, U.S. 6-0, 6-1; Chris Evert-Lloyd, U.S. def. Y. Vermaak, South Africa, 6-1, 6-2; S.L. Collins, U.S. def. S.E. Saliba, Australia 6-3, 6-1; L. Forood, U.S. def. K. Sands, U.S. 6-1, 7-5; D. Fromholtz, Australia, def. P. Delhees, Switzerland 7-6, 6-4; M. Jausovec, Yugoslavia, def. C. Joissaint, Switzerland 6-3, 6-3.



WORLD TRIP: Italian cyclist Franco Nicotelli rode into Sydney Tuesday after a 4,000-mile journey across Australia from Perth. Nicotelli, who is on an around-the-world bicycle trip, said he spent more than \$300 on water crossing the parched interior of Australia, where water cost 50 cents a litre.

McEnroe fined \$1,500

WIMBLEDON, England, June 24 (AP) — American tennis star John McEnroe Tuesday was fined \$1,500 by the committee of management of the all-England Lawn Tennis Championships.



McEnroe cooling off... 'aggravated behavior' under 'major offenses' of the players' code of conduct.

Chiefs stage fine rally to scrape past Rowdies

ATLANTA, Georgia June 24 (AP) — Brian Kidd scored a pair of goals, the first on a penalty kick, to lead the Atlanta Chiefs to a come-from-behind North American Soccer League 5-4 victory over Tampa Bay Rowdies Tuesday night.

In Seoul, South Korea, the Racing de Cordoba of Argentina beat Brazil's Victoria 2-1 Wednesday, advancing to the final of the President's Cup International Soccer Tournament.

Milan, 2-1. Eloi netted both the goals for Santos while Bartistini reduced the margin. Mulhall replaces Anderson. English Second Division football side Bolton Wanderers have appointed assistant manager George Mulhall to replace Stan Anderson, who left last month.

Leeds to sign Victorino. First Division team Leeds United has decided against a spending spree in Austria. The club ended plans to buy Austrian international Walter Schachner after seeing him in action for his club Vienna over the weekend.

Barclay helps Sussex strengthen top berth

LONDON, June 24 (AP) — John Barclay, in his first year as captain, led Sussex to its third championship win of the season at Ilford on Tuesday. His side carved out an eight-point lead at the top of the standings after demolishing Essex by an innings and 21 runs.

He added 162 with skipper Brian Rose, who made 107. It was Rose's first 100 since he started batting in spectacles this season because of eye trouble which forced his premature return from England's Caribbean tour earlier this year.

BRIEFS

TOKYO, (AFP) — Relief is in sight for American baseball fans frustrated by the on-going baseball strike. They can at least watch Japanese pro players playing next week. A spokesman for Japan's Yomiuri Giants professional baseball team announced Wednesday that two games between the Yomiuri Giants and the Hiroshima Carp, another Japanese pro team, at Tokyo's Korakuen Ballpark this weekend will be televised in the United States next week.

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Panel okays tax cuts

Congress ups defense by \$2.6b

WASHINGTON, June 24 (AP) — The House of Representatives voted Tuesday to authorize an additional \$2.66 billion for research and construction on U.S. military weapons during the current fiscal year.

total of 10,000 more uniformed personnel for the air force, navy and marine corps and 27,900 more civilian positions in the defense department.

implement the first five percent stage of personal tax cuts on Oct. 1.

West's aid to poor states hits \$26b mark

PARIS, June 24 (R) — Official development aid to the world's poorest nations from major non-communist industrial countries rose to a provisional \$6.7 billion last year from \$22.4 billion in 1979, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) said Wednesday.

The report said U.S. official development aid may fall in the short term. Longer term prospects were uncertain because of the Reagan administration's decision to reduce the growth of federal spending.

percent to \$1.8 billion due to increased aid from the Soviet Union, whose share in this group rose to 87 percent.

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BOEING FAMILY: Each and every model of Boeing jetliner is shown in this photo of the Seattle flight line.

World Bank lends China \$200million

PEKING, June 24 (R) — The World Bank said Wednesday it would supply China with \$200 million in loans and credits, the first such aid since China joined the bank in May last year.

The aid is for a higher education project designed to increase the number of science and engineering students at 26 Chinese universities from 92,000 to 125,000, the bank said in a statement.

The project will also introduce graduate degree programs, and improve the quality of technical research.

Mexico set to cut oil exports

MEXICO CITY, June 24 (R) — Mexico is considering cutting its crude exports in the face of a world oil glut and customer reluctance to buy at the price it is asking, official sources have said.

Facing glut

offer of tripling its present 100,000 BPD because of storage problems and said discussions were still under way.

Talks on tapping Antarctic begin

BUENOS AIRES, June 24 (AP) — Representatives of 14 nations began talks here Tuesday aimed at reaching an accord governing exploitation of the unexplored, but potentially vast mineral riches of Antarctica.

EEC, India sign 5-year agreement

LUXEMBOURG, June 24 (AP) — European Common Market foreign ministers Tuesday signed a new five-year trade and economic cooperation agreement with India.

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# OPEC okays \$185m aid to Third World

QUITO, June 24 (R) — The OPEC Fund for International Development has approved loans totaling \$185 million to 33 Third World countries, fund Director-General Ibrahim Shihata has said.

He said Tuesday the loans, approved at the 18th session of the fund's board of governors, were mostly interest-free, to be repaid over 20 years with five years' grace.

Countries which received project loans worth a total of \$114.4 million were: Benin, Kenya, Laos, Maldives, Mali, Nepal, Paraguay, Senegal, Thailand, Togo, North Yemen, South Yemen, Zaire, and Zimbabwe.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) established the fund five years ago to channel surplus oil earnings to bankrupt and underdeveloped nations. The fund has previously granted loans totaling \$1 billion to 76 countries.

The fund's governing board approved the latest loans after the OPEC ministerial council rejected proposals for making contributions to the fund obligatory.

The fund ministers, also failed to cover the fund's current shortfall of \$500 million, caused by the inability of some members,

## Norway slashes oil price by 10%

STAVANGER, Norway, June 24 (AP) — Statoil, the Norwegian state oil company, has decided to lower the price of its North Sea oil prices by 10 percent effective June 20.

Haakon Lavik, the company's information secretary said the decision was taken after negotiations with all current buyers and meant that the average oil price from Statoil will drop from just below \$40 to just below \$36 per barrel.

"We reduce the price as a natural consequence of the present global price situation and the fact that BNO, the British State Oil Company, also reduced the price of its North Sea oil to the same level last week," Lavik said.

Oil companies that have not yet reduced their prices for North Sea oil are expected to do so before July 1, when prices for the third quarter of 1981 have to be set.

The American company Phillips Petroleum is having consultations with its buyers and said it may decide on price reductions shortly.

especially Iran, to make good promised contributions. The deficit was part of a \$1.6 billion replenishment of the fund agree last year.

Conference chairman Cesar Robalino told reporters the ministers decided by a majority to maintain the system of voluntary donations favored by Saudi Arabia, the fund's major contributor. Dr. Robalino said the main outcome of the meeting was a decision to grant up to \$450 million to the United Nations International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), provided industrialized nations contributed \$650 million.

Balance of payment support loans worth a total of \$ 71 million were approved for 14 countries — Bangladesh, Barbados, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, the Seychelles, Djibouti, Dominica, Equatorial Guinea, Lesotho, Solomon Islands, Grenada, St. Vincent, and Tonga.

The fund also approved grants to finance projects in Bangladesh, Sudan, Benin, Cape Verde, Honduras, Lesotho, Papua New Guinea, and North Yemen.

Shihata said \$9 million was approved for use in local development projects in the Seychelles and upper Volta.

## Japan to spend \$12b on oil hunt

TOKYO, June 24 (R) — Japanese oil exploration companies said Wednesday they plan to spend \$12 billion over the next nine years to boost oil production from development projects in Japan and overseas and to find new deposits.

The Japanese Petroleum Mining Federation said, without giving details, that the companies planned to develop mainly as joint ventures fields in North and Latin America, the Middle East, China and the Soviet Union as well as in Japan. The aim was to increase their output by 359,000 barrels per day to 799,000 BPD by 1990.

The companies now produce 340,000 BPD in the Middle East, 80,000 BPD in Asia, 10,000 BPD in South America and the same amount in Japan, it said. The federation said a further \$21 billion would be needed to meet the international trade and industry ministry's target for production of 1.3 million BPD by the companies in 1990, or about 20 percent of Japan's estimated requirements.

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# IMF grants \$1 billion to Zaire

WASHINGTON, June 24 (AP) — Zaire, source of much of the Western world's cobalt and copper, will be allowed to draw the equivalent of more than \$1 billion from the International Monetary Fund over the next three years, it was announced Tuesday.

It was the biggest advance the 141-nation IMF had ever approved for an African country, a spokesman said. It is equivalent to about half of Zaire's entire income for a year. The credit takes the form of 913 million shares of the IMF's "Special Drawing Rights." Each SDR share is worth about \$1.16.

Zaire already owes the fund the equivalent of \$188 million, and it owes an estimated \$5 billion to other creditors.

The new arrangement is expected to make it easier for the government of President Mobutu Sese Seko to borrow from commercial banks, which have had to delay the collection of debts Zaire already owes. Countries and institutions which have been helping Zaire over the years were due to meet in Paris Tuesday to see how much more they can give.

## Bankers debate Polish debt

PARIS, June 24 (AFP) — Tricky negotiations began here Wednesday on rescheduling \$13 billion of Polish debt to Western banks.

These talks follow agreement in late April among Western governments on rescheduling guaranteed Polish debt. Wednesday, some 30 bankers began working out a joint strategy for 460 banks and finance houses in regard to the money Poland owes them, \$3.1 billion of which falls due this year.

Earlier, the banks drafted an arrangement for spreading this year's sums due over a 7.5-year period. But last week, U.S. banks upset this by allowing Poland another six months (until the end of December) to repay them. This had the effect in theory of pushing back the entire discussion to the end of this year.

Political aspects are assumed to be prominent in the minds of the Americans. But a West European banker Wednesday suggested they were just as worried about a legal precedent emerging that could bear upon similar situations experienced by other countries.

The U.S. stake of \$1.7 billion is smaller than that of the Europeans taken as a whole. For example West Germany's involvement is \$2.4 billion, France's \$1.2 billion and Britain's \$900 million.

Wednesday's Paris gathering is likely to

## Iraq, U.K. to step up economic ties

LONDON, June 24 (R) — Britain and Iraq Wednesday signed an agreement pledging both countries "to do their utmost to develop and strengthen economic cooperation by all possible means."

The accord, signed in London by British Trade Secretary John Biffen and Iraq's Commerce Minister Hassan Ali, does not include specific deals, but marks a mutual determination to expand economic ties, British officials said.

Areas of trade mentioned in the agreement include agriculture, medicine, transport, communications, electric power and oil and petro-chemicals. Nuclear technology is not listed.

Last year, Britain imported goods worth \$533 million from Iraq, mostly made up of oil. Exports to Iraq amounted to \$322 million sterling (\$644 million). The British government has repeatedly urged businessmen to expand their trade with Gulf states.

On Tuesday, Hasan Ali and some 200 British businessmen met here at a seminar on the possibility of increasing trade bet-

# Pooling oil reserves Progress dogs EEC talks

LUXEMBOURG, June 24 (R) — European Common Market energy ministers failed to make progress Wednesday on proposals for pooling oil reserves at times of shortage, EEC sources said.

At a meeting Wednesday, Britain pressed for the idea to be quickly developed despite the present glut on the oil market, but West Germany opposed any scheme that would exclusively involve community countries, they said.

"Any arrangements that go ahead would have to involve other major oil consuming countries — I'm thinking of Japan and the United States particularly," British Energy Minister Dennis Howell said after the meetings, appearing to acknowledge that EEC Commission proposals for oil sharing among member states had been shelved.

The commission suggested the establishment of a mechanism for pooling reserves last year. The aim was to allow countries with supply problems to avoid buying on the restricted spot market thus sending prices soaring. Spiralling prices on the spot market contributed in 1979 to a decision by the

## London Commodities

	June 24	June 23
Gold (\$ per ounce)	460.50	466.25
Silver cash (pence per ounce)	498.50	513.50
3 months	524.25	528.75
Copper cash	863.50	860.50
3 months	889.75	885.75
Tin cash	6448.00	6335.00
3 months	6568.00	6467.00
Lead cash	374.25	363.25
3 months	379.75	369.75
Zinc cash	345.00	435.00
3 months	340.25	433.25
Aluminium cash	606.75	608.00
3 months	626.75	629.00
Nickel cash	3132.00	3080.00
3 months	3172.00	3130.00
Sugar August	196.55	199.85
October	199.50	201.25
Coffee July	741.00	712.00
September	758.00	734.00
Cocoa July	794.00	761.00
September	836.00	789.00
December	874.00	829.00

# U.S. launches oil search in Pakistan

BALKASSAR, Pakistan, June 24 — Occidental Petroleum of the United States, began drilling its first exploratory well in Pakistan here Wednesday after acquiring rights last year for a \$200 million initial investment.

The company which specialises in deep drilling techniques would be exploring deeper horizons in the Potohar basin which involves the most difficult drilling in the world. Pakistani Petroleum and Natural Resources Minister Rao Farman Ali Khan spudded-in the well, to be drilled to a depth of 10500 feet, by a consortium of four companies headed by Occidental. The other partners include the state-owned Oil and Gas Development Corporation (OGDC), Pakistan oil-fields and the Attock Oil, owned by Ghaffar Feroz, a Saudi businessman.

The Attock Oil has been producing oil from the shallower layers of the Balkassar structure for a number of years and the Occidental's bid is the first to test deeper zones in the region.

Meanwhile, an official pre-budget document issued in Islamabad said Pakistan's oil imports witnessed a fall of 0.9 million tons during the fiscal year ending June 30. However, in spite of reduced imports the country's oil bill shot-up to \$569 million from \$1068 million during 1979-80 due to rising oil prices.

## Foreign Exchange Rates

	Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Wednesday	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	—	9.70	9.04
Belgian Franc (1,000)	89.00	—	—
Canadian Dollar	2.82	—	2.845
Deutsche Mark (100)	145.00	144.10	143.95
Dutch Guilder (100)	131.00	—	129.70
Egyptian Pound	—	4.08	4.25
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	92.00	92.90
French Franc (100)	61.00	60.50	60.00
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	62.50	59.00
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	39.80
Iranian Rial (100)	—	25.00	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	8.00	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	29.00	29.50	28.90
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.40	—	15.35
Jordanian Dinar	—	10.24	10.15
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.17	12.14
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	79.10	78.90
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	67.00	64.35
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	—	34.58
Philippine Peso (100)	—	—	43.40
Pound Sterling	6.81	6.82	6.76
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	93.00	93.65
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	—	160.05
Swiss Franc (100)	—	—	36.10
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	—	167.40
Syrian Lira (100)	167.00	167.80	167.40
Turkish Lira (100)	—	—	66.00
U.S. Dollar	3.41	3.4190	3.4120
Yemeni Rial (100)	—	75.25	74.75

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CHALKIE'S TALKIN' ABOUT LEAVIN' ME, FLO... HE RECKONS WE DON'T HAVE ONE SINGLE THING IN COMMON —

**BEEBLE BAILLEY**  
OH-OHH

**BLONDIE**  
HOW CAN I GET MY GIRL TO KISS ME, KILLER?  
DON'T BE SO SHY, ZERC  
YOU'RE A SOLDIER! PLAN YOUR ATTACK!  
USE A LITTLE CAMOUFLAGE, GET HER OFF GUARD AND COME IN WITH GUNS BLAZING!

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OUR SPECIAL TODAY IS PIZZA OMELETTE  
WHAT COMES WITH IT?  
YOU HAVE YOUR CHOICE  
BICARB OR MAGNESIA

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HOW WAS YOUR DATE LAST NIGHT?  
A DEFINITE "10"  
THE FAT BROAD WAS A TEN?  
ON A SCALE OF A THOUSAND

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YOU'VE GOT TO LOSE WEIGHT!  
HAVE HELGA CUT YOUR FOOD IN HALF!  
WHY DO I HAVE TO CUT YOUR STEAK?  
DON'T ASK ME — ASK DR. ZOOK

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IT JUST GOES TO SHOW YOU...  
WHAT'S THAT?  
PART OF BEING A GOOD LEARNER IS BEING A GOOD LISTENER

**SMITH'S TENNIS CLASS**  
STAN, I'M TAKING MY ANDROID GAMES OUTSIDE FOR THE SEASON — ARE THERE ANY ADJUSTMENTS I SHOULD MAKE?  
YOU CAN SEE GETTING AND LOB HIGHER OUTDOORS, BUT THE BALL DOESN'T BEHAVE AS FAR SO YOU'RE READY TO SWING THE BALL MORE.

**DENNIS the MENACE**  
I DON'T HAVE TO CALL MY MOM TO THE PHONE...  
SHE'S RIGHT HERE!

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**Abnormal Procedure**

North dealer.  
East-West vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ 7 2  
♥ 7 5  
♦ A K 10 6 5 2  
♣ A K 3

**WEST**  
♠ A J 6 5 3  
♥ K 10 4 2  
♦ 4  
♣ J 9 5

**EAST**  
♠ 10 9 4  
♥ J 9 8  
♦ J 8 7 3  
♣ Q 6 2

**SOUTH**  
♠ K Q 8  
♥ A Q 6 3  
♦ Q 9  
♣ 10 8 7 4

The bidding:  
North East South West  
1 0 Pass 1 0 Pass  
2 0 Pass 3 NT

Opening lead — five of spades.

Bridge is essentially a game of logic. The more keenly a player reasons, the better he will do over a period of time. General rules can be memorized and are helpful, but they are easy to misapply unless the reasons behind them are understood.

Take this deal where it is easy to go wrong. South wins the spade with the king and obviously must attack diamonds, his most promising

suit. But, when he plays the queen and another diamond, West shows out and South is in deep trouble. He can now do no better than continue the suit. When East takes the jack and returns a spade, South finishes a sadder, if not wiser, man.

Correct play produces ten tricks. Declarer should not attack diamonds in the normal fashion — which is what he did. He should consider the possibility of a 4-1 division and try to protect against it.

He should play a club to the king at trick two and return a low diamond, planning to finesse the nine. He does not mind losing the trick to the jack, because with West on lead, the queen of spades is impervious to attack — and any other lead by West is sure to prove equally ineffective.

As it happens, the nine wins and South coasts home with at least ten tricks. But note that if the finesse loses to the jack he is still sure of nine tricks — five diamonds, two clubs, a spade and a heart — whatever West returns.

To start the diamonds by leading the queen is a bow to normal procedure that is not justified in the present case. The safety finesse in diamonds makes much more sense.

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**Your Individual Horoscope**  
— Frances Drake —  
FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 1981

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)  
You're an effective communicator and should make some important phone calls now. Writers and creative types are quite productive.

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20)  
A confidential financial tip is worth investigating. You may decide to surprise somebody with a gift. Enjoy evening privacy.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20)  
You're on the go now and busy with social planning. Visits with friends should be fun. Make the first move in contacting others.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22)  
Keep career matters confidential. You'll make progress in catching up with unfinished business. It's a time to pull strings.

**LEO** (July 23 to Aug. 22)  
Make plans to visit your far-away friends. A close tie may have some reservations about joining you. Enjoy quiet, cultural pursuits.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)  
You may be busy working overtime on an important career development. An action-packed day leaves you feeling contented with your progress.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)  
Make plans to travel with loved one. A partner's enthusiasm rubs off on you. Utilize initiative in promoting creative projects.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)  
Despite some agitation in the afternoon, this should be a productive work day. Stick to tried-and-true methods. Avoid experimentation.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)  
Don't ruffle the feelings of friend. If you do, make amends quickly. Evening hours accent togetherness a good time.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)  
An unexpected visit could upset your schedule. You may want to bring some work home with you from the office. Efficiency pays off.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)  
A higher-up may be unpredictable. Creative type will feel inspired and should put ideas into motion. Evening hours are romantic.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)  
You may change your mind without consulting family members. You may buy something new for the house.

**Crossword**  
by THOMAS JOSEPH

**ACROSS**  
1 Gnaw  
5 Sets of steps  
11 Baptism, e.g.  
12 Indigenous  
13 English river  
14 Soccer team number for social  
15 Refined  
17 Memorable period  
18 Snoop  
19 Moist  
20 Victim  
22 Quote  
23 Manitoba  
24 Dray  
25 Intersection  
26 Turn out  
27 Witticism  
28 — brio  
29 Mispickel or bauxite  
30 Toothed bar  
35 At — (aimlessly)  
37 Possess  
38 Region of France  
39 Region  
40 Smirked  
41 — up (freshen)  
DOWN  
1 Stoop rock

**Yesterday's Answer**  
23 Vocal work  
24 Jargon  
25 Without principles  
26 Spurred  
28 Late rock star, Jim  
31 Crack open  
32 Bunny  
33 Incessant  
34 Wood  
36 U.S. patriotic group

**DAILY CRYPTOQUOTE** — Here's how to work it:  
AXYDLBAAXR  
LONGFELLOW

One letter simply stands for another. In this sample A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are hints. Each day the code letters are different.

**CRYPTOQUOTES**  
PORHRVJDRUC RK UWY PVY UWRVH  
TWRZW LVPORHRVJD QRVK ZJVVPV  
XYVD UWY LKY PX — F. K. QRDD  
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3:00	Children's Show	5:00	World News	11:00	World News	11:00	World News
3:25	Melrose	5:15	Ulster in Focus	11:15	Ulster in Focus	11:15	Ulster in Focus
4:34	On Show	5:30	Discovery	11:30	Discovery	11:30	Discovery
4:57	Black Beauty	5:45	World News	11:45	World News	11:45	World News
5:44	Documentary	6:00	World News	12:00	World News	12:00	World News
6:31	Dukes of Hazzard	6:15	News about Britain	12:15	News about Britain	12:15	News about Britain
7:28	The Jeffersons	6:30	World News	12:30	World News	12:30	World News
7:53	The Virginian	6:45	World News	12:45	World News	12:45	World News
8:07	Beverly Hills	7:00	World News	1:00	World News	1:00	World News
8:35	Famous Film Theater	7:15	World News	1:15	World News	1:15	World News
THURSDAY 7:00 Quran, 7:05 Walt Disney, 8:00 News in English, 8:15 Chipe, 8:20 News, 8:25 News, 8:30 News, 8:35 News, 8:40 News, 8:45 News, 8:50 News, 8:55 News, 9:00 News, 9:05 News, 9:10 News, 9:15 News, 9:20 News, 9:25 News, 9:30 News, 9:35 News, 9:40 News, 9:45 News, 9:50 News, 9:55 News, 10:00 News, 10:05 News, 10:10 News, 10:15 News, 10:20 News, 10:25 News, 10:30 News, 10:35 News, 10:40 News, 10:45 News, 10:50 News, 10:55 News, 11:00 News, 11:05 News, 11:10 News, 11:15 News, 11:20 News, 11:25 News, 11:30 News, 11:35 News, 11:40 News, 11:45 News, 11:50 News, 11:55 News, 12:00 News	THURSDAY 7:00 Quran, 7:05 Walt Disney, 8:00 News in English, 8:15 Chipe, 8:20 News, 8:25 News, 8:30 News, 8:35 News, 8:40 News, 8:45 News, 8:50 News, 8:55 News, 9:00 News, 9:05 News, 9:10 News, 9:15 News, 9:20 News, 9:25 News, 9:30 News, 9:35 News, 9:40 News, 9:45 News, 9:50 News, 9:55 News, 10:00 News, 10:05 News, 10:10 News, 10:15 News, 10:20 News, 10:25 News, 10:30 News, 10:35 News, 10:40 News, 10:45 News, 10:50 News, 10:55 News, 11:00 News, 11:05 News, 11:10 News, 11:15 News, 11:20 News, 11:25 News, 11:30 News, 11:35 News, 11:40 News, 11:45 News, 11:50 News, 11:55 News, 12:00 News	THURSDAY 7:00 Quran, 7:05 Walt Disney, 8:00 News in English, 8:15 Chipe, 8:20 News, 8:25 News, 8:30 News, 8:35 News, 8:40 News, 8:45 News, 8:50 News, 8:55 News, 9:00 News, 9:05 News, 9:10 News, 9:15 News, 9:20 News, 9:25 News, 9:30 News, 9:35 News, 9:40 News, 9:45 News, 9:50 News, 9:55 News, 10:00 News, 10:05 News, 10:10 News, 10:15 News, 10:20 News, 10:25 News, 10:30 News, 10:35 News, 10:40 News, 10:45 News, 10:50 News, 10:55 News, 11:00 News, 11:05 News, 11:10 News, 11:15 News, 11:20 News, 11:25 News, 11:30 News, 11:35 News, 11:40 News, 11:45 News, 11:50 News, 11:55 News, 12:00 News	THURSDAY 7:00 Quran, 7:05 Walt Disney, 8:00 News in English, 8:15 Chipe, 8:20 News, 8:25 News, 8:30 News, 8:35 News, 8:40 News, 8:45 News, 8:50 News, 8:55 News, 9:00 News, 9:05 News, 9:10 News, 9:15 News, 9:20 News, 9:25 News, 9:30 News, 9:35 News, 9:40 News, 9:45 News, 9:50 News, 9:55 News, 10:00 News, 10:05 News, 10:10 News, 10:15 News, 10:20 News, 10:25 News, 10:30 News, 10:35 News, 10:40 News, 10:45 News, 10:50 News, 10:55 News, 11:00 News, 11:05 News, 11:10 News, 11:15 News, 11:20 News, 11:25 News, 11:30 News, 11:35 News, 11:40 News, 11:45 News, 11:50 News, 11:55 News, 12:00 News				

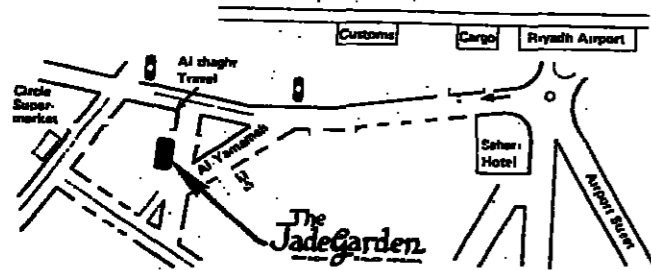
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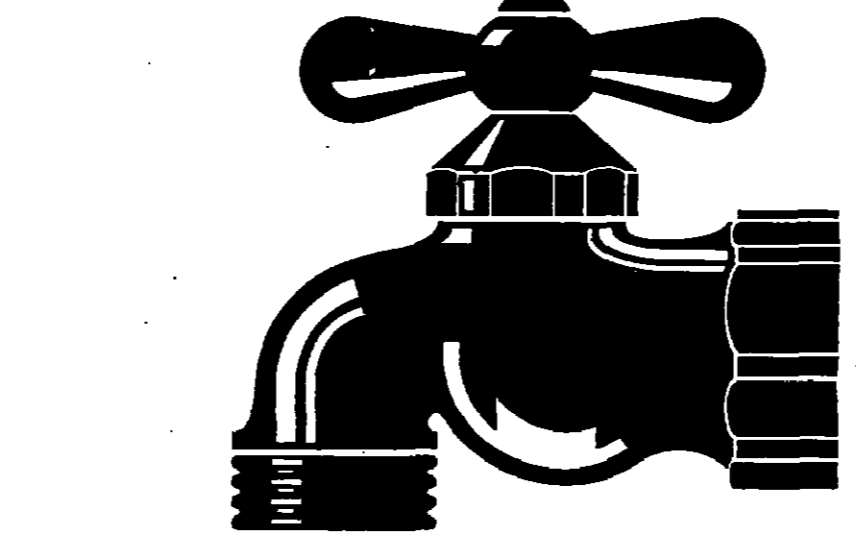
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